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grew wings!!?
The Taco-eating Capybara —
Capy —!!
Now, to the Land of Tacos!!
ドーン
It talked—!?
Yuki-chan, climb onto my back!!
All right.

Tutorial and Glossary for Japanese Mahjong

To help you follow Saki's mahjong, we have put together this page to explain how Japanese mahjong works and as a handy reference.

Basic Rules

In Japanese mahjong, there are 4 players. Each player keeps a hand of 13 tiles. When a player has their turn, that player draws a new tile. If those 14 tiles complete all the conditions for victory, that player wins the round. If not, that player has to discard a tile. Any of the other three players then has the opportunity to call "ron" and take that discarded tile if it would complete one of their own conditions for victory.

Tiles

Tiles are either of a particular suit, or are honor tiles. There are three suits: man, sou, and pin. Tiles in each suit are numbered from 1 to 9. Honor tiles consist of the 3 dragon tiles and the 4 wind tiles. Numbers 1 and 9 in each suit are called terminal tiles. Together honor tiles and terminal tiles are called end tiles.

3 Suits

Honor Tiles

How to Win

To win a round, a player must have a complete hand and at least 1 yaku. There are three types of complete hands:

1. A hand of 1 toitsu and 4 chi or kan or pon.
2. A hand of 7 toitsu.
3. Kokushi musou

Mahjong Glossary

General:

Dead wall - Several tiles that are set aside at the start of the round and not normally drawn from.
Dealer round - An extra round that does not count toward the total number of rounds in the game, and which takes place after a dealer wins a round
Dora - A designated tile which counts as 1 han
Double East - When the Dealer in the East position acquires the East tile, because the Round wind and the Seat wind coincide, it becomes a double yaku
Fu - A scoring unit that is less than han and more than basic points. Also refers to any rule used to calculate fu.
Han-chan - A game consisting of 8 rounds (barring extra dealer rounds) where each player deals 2 rounds
Horse - An optional rule where extra points are given to the winners of the round, usually the first and second place.
Iishanten - A state in which you are one tile away from Tenpai.
Kuitan - Making an open Tanyao
Menzen - Fully closed hand, never having called "ron" and revealed any of one's tiles
Reverse dora - An extra bonus tile that is flipped over when a player who declared "riichi" wins the round
Ron - To pick up a discard. "Ron" can be called when another player discards the tile a player needs to win. That tile is then used to complete a chi, kan, or pon, which is then set aside. The closed portion of the player's hand becomes smaller (It's not menzen anymore.) In addition, points are transferred from the player who discarded to the player who called "ron."
Ryankan - A type of wait where the tiles form patterns like 1-man, 3-man, 5-man or 4-pin 6-pin, 8-pin, etc
Tenpai - The state of needing only 1 more tile to complete a hand. Tenpai is necessary to call "riichi," so it would typically be spoken in that context. "[Some yaku] tenpai" refers to when only 1 more tile is required to obtain that yaku
Tobi - A rule in which the game ends as soon as any player has 0 or less points
Tsumo - "Tsumo" is called when a player draws the tile they need to win, but is not sufficient to win without additional yaku. "Menzen chin tsumohou," a yaku, is frequently declared as "tsumo"
Tsumikomi - A frowned-upon strategy where a player gathers advantageous tiles into their wall before the round begins, and therefore gets the tiles they want more quickly
Wait - The state of needing one more tile to win after declaring "riichi." There are different types of waits, depending on how many different tiles could complete the hand and how each affects the hand's value
Wall - The undrawn tiles. Each player typically draws only from a specific part of the wall, referred to as that player's wall, unless forced to draw from another player's wall because no more of theirs remains
Yaku - Special conditions necessary to win

Score-related:

Baiman - An 8 to 10 han hand
Han - A score multiplier. The more han, the more your score increases exponentially. Some yaku are worth more han if they are menzen
Haneman - A 6 to 7 han hand
Kazoe-yakuman - A 13 han or more hand. Scored the same as yakuman
Mangan - A 70 fu 3 han or more, 40 fu 4 han or more, or 5 han hand
Sanbaiman - An 11 to 12 han hand
Yakuman - Hands that are so difficult to get that they are worth the maximum possible point value.

Tile melds:

Chi - 3 consecutive numbers, same suit Example. 2 pin, 3 pin, 4 pin
Kan - 4 of the same tile Example. haku haku, haku, haku. When a player completes a kan, they must draw an additional tile from the dead wall to maintain the ability to make 4 sets
Pon - 3 of the same tile. Example. 7 sou, 7 sou, 7 sou
Toitsu - 2 of the same tile. Example east wind, east wind.

Yaku / Yakuman

A full list of yaku can be found at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Japanese_Mahjong_yaku#List_of_yaku

Chun itsu - All tiles are in the same suit and none are honor tiles
Daisangen - A yakuman formed when one readies three complete sets of the Haku, Hatsu, and Chun tiles.
Double riichi - A "riichi" that is declared on the player's first turn, before anyone has declared a chi or kan or pon.
Hon itsu - All tiles are in the same suit or are honor tiles
Ippatsu - Winning within one turn of declaring "riichi."
Itsuki Shuukan - A yaku in which one's runs are within the same suit
Kokushi musou - A hand that consists of all end tiles, and one more end tile. A yakuman hand
Menzen chin - References a closed hand in the context of same other yaku Example. Menzen chin hon itsu consists of a closed hand and hon itsu.
Menchin - A combination of Menzen, a hand where you do not call tiles, worth 1 yaku, and Chinusou (a.k.a Chin itsu), a hand where all your tiles are of the same suit, worth 6 yaku
Riichi - The player chooses to sacrifice 1000 points to declare they only need 1 tile to win ("tenpai") After "riichi" is declared, the player's hand cannot change until that tile is drawn ("tsumo") or called ("ron").
Rinshan kaihou - When a player declares a kan and therefore has to draw an extra tile, and that tile completes the player's hand
Sanankou - When you win with a hand formation of three unrevealed Pons, worth two yaku.
Sanshoku - Three sequences of the same numbers in all three suits. Example: 6 man, 7 man, 8 man, 6 sou, 7 sou, 8 sou, 6 pin, 7 pin, 8 pin.
Suuankou - A hand that consists of only pon and kan and 1 toitsu, where none of the pon or kan were completed with "ron." A yakuman hand
Tanpin - No end tiles, and must be a double-sided wait
Tanyao - A hand that uses no end tiles
Toitoi - When you win with a hand formation of four Pons (or Kans) and a pair, worth two yaku.

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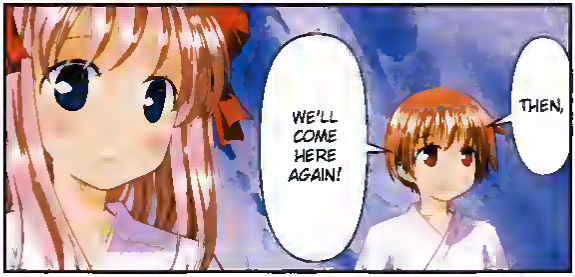
Despite
such
harsh
training
...

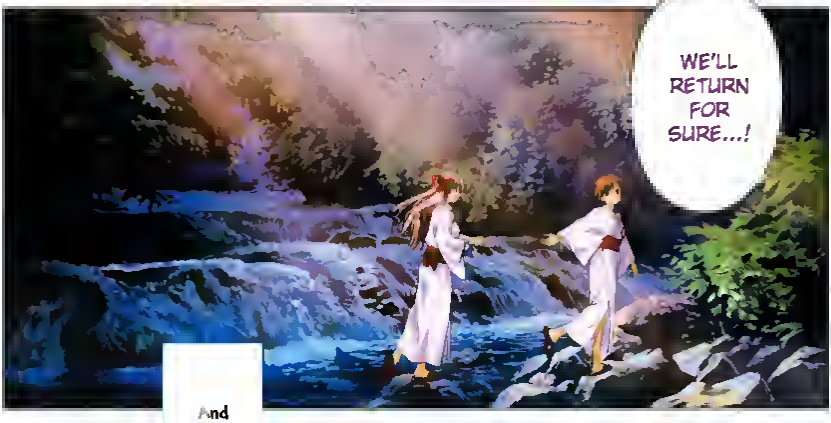
If you hold on to nothing but such fun memories...

IF WE PASS THE PRELIMINARIES, IT SEEMS THERE WILL BE ONE MORE TRAINING CAMP BEFORE THE NATIONALS.

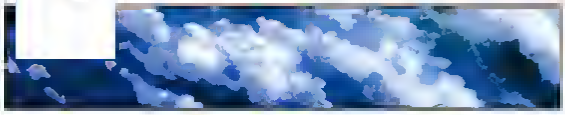
I WANT TO TRAIN LIKE THIS AGAIN!

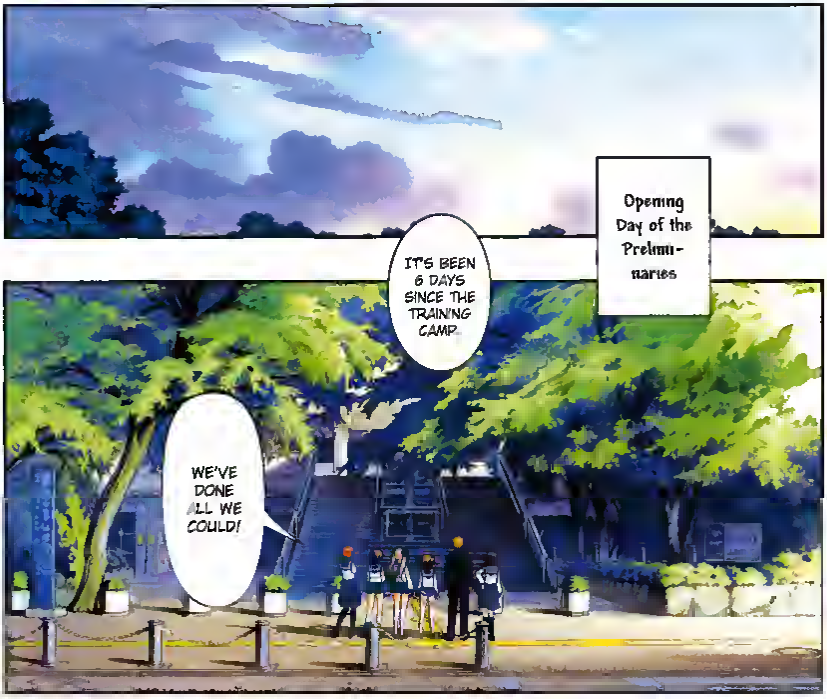
... IT SEEMS SO.


WE'LL COME HERE AGAIN!
THEN,


WE'LL RETURN FOR SURE...!

And then...




Opening Day of the Preliminaries
IT'S BEEN 6 DAYS SINCE THE TRAINING CAMP.
WE'VE DONE ALL WE COULD!

WELL,
SHALL WE GO!?
YEAH !!

Round 7: Preliminaries

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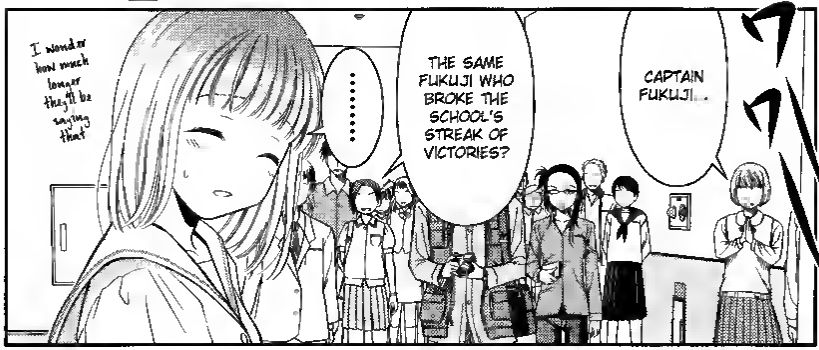
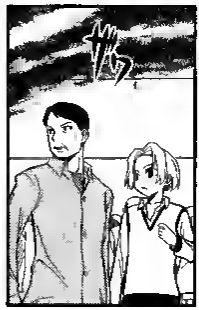
HM?
IT GETS BIGGER EVERY YEAR, HUH?
SO MANY PEOPLE
GEEEEEZ...
DID SHE GET LOST? I BET SHE WANDERED OFF ALONE AS USUAL
THAT GIRL REALLY NEEDS TO BUY A CELL PHONE.
SAKI'S NOT HERE...
HUH..?
OH!

IT'S THE KAZE-KOSHI GIRLS!
LAST YEAR'S 2ND PLACE WINNERS IN THE PRE-FECTURE!
A VETERAN TEAM THAT HAS 80 MEMBERS ...!!


I wonder how much longer they'll be saying that
.....
THE SAME FUKUJI WHO BROKE THE SCHOOL'S STREAK OF VICTORIES?
CAPTAIN FUKUJI...

THEY HAVE ARRIVED

HUH?



THE REIGNING CHAMPIONS OF LAST YEAR'S PRELIMINARIES!!
RYUUMONBUCHI HAS ARRIVED ...!!

INOUE JUN
SAWA-MURA TOMOKI

KUNIHIRO HAJIME
RYUU-MON-BUCHI TOUKA!
LAST YEAR'S FOUR HEAVENLY KINGS, GOING STRONG INTO THEIR 2ND YEAR...!!

YOU MUST STAND OUT!
NO MATTER WHAT, STAND OUT!!

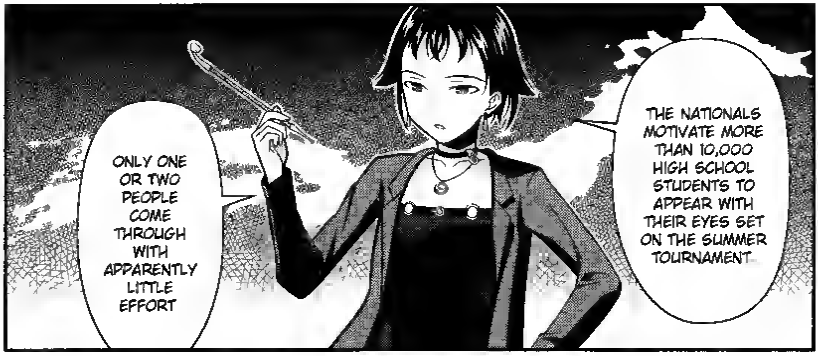
SIGH...
EVEN THOUGH I HATE BEING IN THE SPOTLIGHT. .
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?

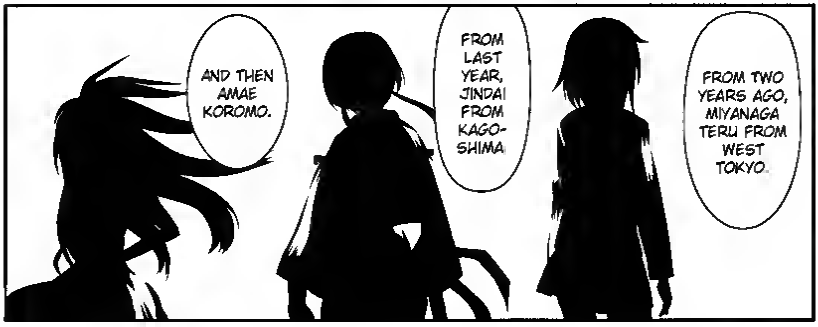
NOW, SMILE FOR OUR PRESS!!
.....

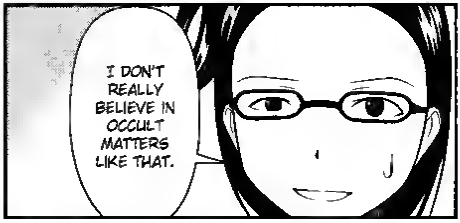
FUJITA-PRO!!
GOOD AFTER NOON.

AMAE ISN'T HERE, HUH?

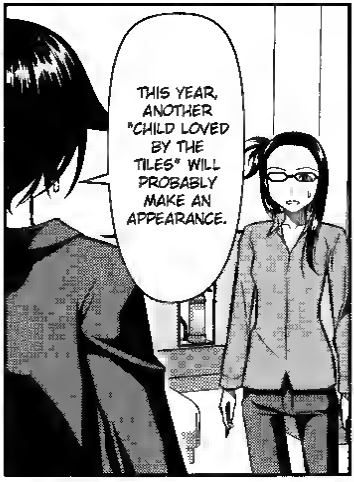
THIS COMPETITION WILL BE SETTLED BETWEEN RYUUMONBUCHI AND KAZEKOSHI, RIGHT?
I WAS SUMMONED TO GIVE COMMENTARY ON THE MATCHES.
WHY ARE YOU HERE TODAY?
AS A PRO, WHO DO YOU THINK WILL TAKE THE SPOTLIGHT?
I WONDER
THE GAME WILL BE DECIDED BY ONLY FIVE HAN-CHANS AFTER ALL.
RYUUMONBUCHI HIGH'S AMAE KOROMO
EVERY YEAR...
EVEN THOUGH SHE HAS GOOD LUCK?
BUT ISN'T HER APPROACH TO WINNING THAT OF AN AMATEUR?
WELL, AMAE'S EFFORTS CERTAINLY LEFT AN IMPRESSION ON EVERYONE LAST YEAR.
HUH!?


THE NATIONALS MOTIVATE MORE THAN 10,000 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO APPEAR WITH THEIR EYES SET ON THE SUMMER TOURNAMENT.
ONLY ONE OR TWO PEOPLE COME THROUGH WITH APPARENTLY LITTLE EFFORT

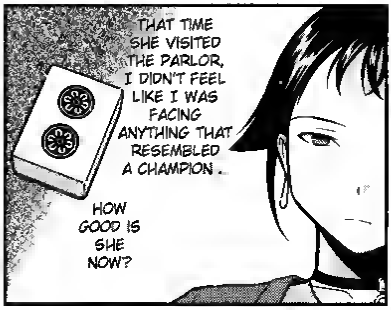

FROM TWO YEARS AGO, MIYANAGA TERU FROM WEST TOKYO.
FROM LAST YEAR, JINDAI FROM KAGO-SHIMA
AND THEN AMAE KOROMO.

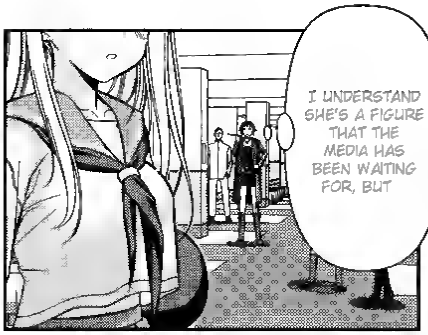

I DON'T REALLY BELIEVE IN OCCULT MATTERS LIKE THAT.

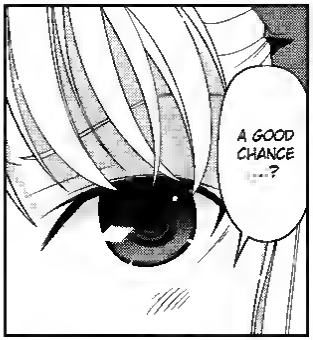
IF I COULD, I WOULD ALSO RATHER NOT BELIEVE IT.


THIS YEAR, ANOTHER "CHILD LOVED BY THE TILES" WILL PROBABLY MAKE AN APPEARANCE.

HARAMURA NODOKA SPOTTED !!
EXCUSE US, WE NEED TO GO COVER THIS EVENT.
SHE'S THE MOST IMPORTANT INTERVIEW PIECE HERE!!
YEAH, YEAH.
HARAMURA NODOKA NATIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL TOURNAMENT WINNER


THAT TIME SHE VISITED THE PARLOR, I DIDN'T FEEL LIKE I WAS FACING ANYTHING THAT RESEMBLED A CHAMPION.
HOW GOOD IS SHE NOW?


I UNDERSTAND SHE'S A FIGURE THAT THE MEDIA HAS BEEN WAITING FOR, BUT


A GOOD CHANCE...?

IT SEEMS THAT BECAUSE OF YOUR ENTRANCE IN THIS TOURNAMENT, KIYOSUMI HIGH STANDS A GOOD CHANCE.

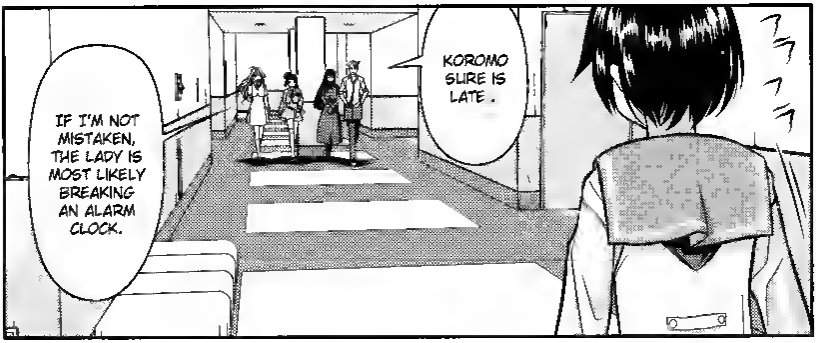
FURTHERMORE...
.....

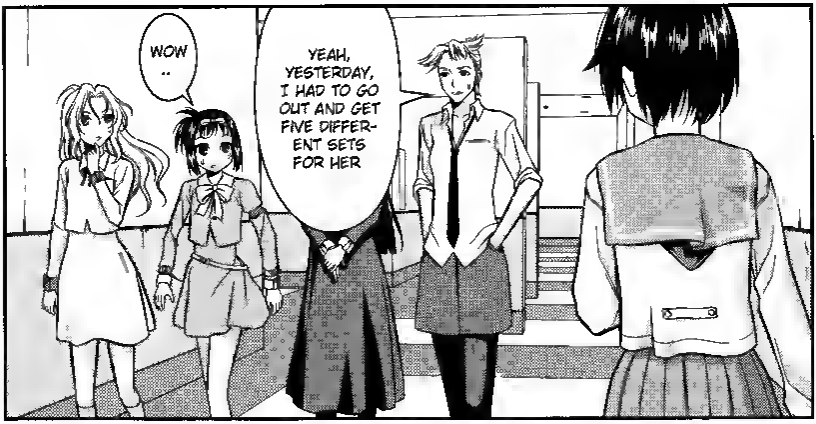
?

MY TARGET IS
TO WIN THE NATIONALS!
THIS AGAIN

BOP
I GOT COM-PLETELY LOST...

KIYOSUMI'S STRENGTH LIES NOT JUST IN ME !!


KOROMO SURE IS LATE.
IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN, THE LADY IS MOST LIKELY BREAKING AN ALARM CLOCK.


WOW ..
YEAH, YESTERDAY, I HAD TO GO OUT AND GET FIVE DIFFER-ENT SETS FOR HER

HARA-MURA NODOKA ...!?
THEN, WAS THAT...
THAT'S KIYOSUMI HIGH SCHOOL'S UNIFORM...
ガン
I FELT A PRESENCE SIMILAR TO KOROMO'S...
THE SIDES OF HER CHEST BULGE OUT WITH POINTLESS FLESH, I'M SURE.
NO, HARAMURA NODOKA HAS MORE...
IT CAN'T BE
ドン
.....

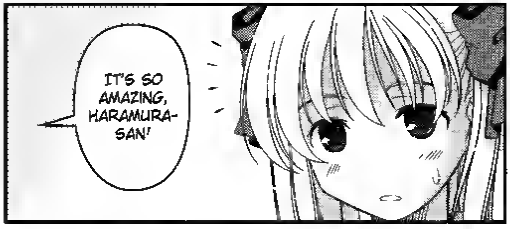
ANOTHER KOROMO-CLASS PERSON EXISTS IN THIS WORLD?
SAKI-CHAN.

I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOOOU!
WHO EXACTLY GOT LOST?

EVERY-ONE...

I JUST GOT THEM TO RELEASE ME FROM THE INTER-VIEW...

WE WERE WORRIED... THAT PERHAPS YOU WERE ACTUALLY A SUGA-KUN IN DRAG.
WHERE'S HARA-MURA-SAN?
YOU WERE WORRIED ABOUT THAT?


IT'S SO AMAZING, HARAMURA-SAN!

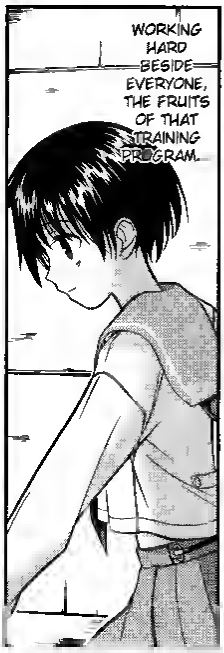
SO MANY STRONG-LOOKING PEOPLE HERE.
I'M GETTING REALLY EXCITED!

I WANT TO HURRY AND PLAY ALL THOSE PEOPLE!!

LET'S GO IN WITH FIGHTING SPIRIT!
YEAH !!

THIS MATCH IS BUT OUR FIRST STEP TO CONQUERING THE NATIONALS

THE TIME HAS COME TO REVEAL ITS RESULTS!!


WORKING HARD BESIDE EVERYONE, THE FRUITS OF THAT TRAINING PROGRAM...

LET'S ALL DO OUR BEST!

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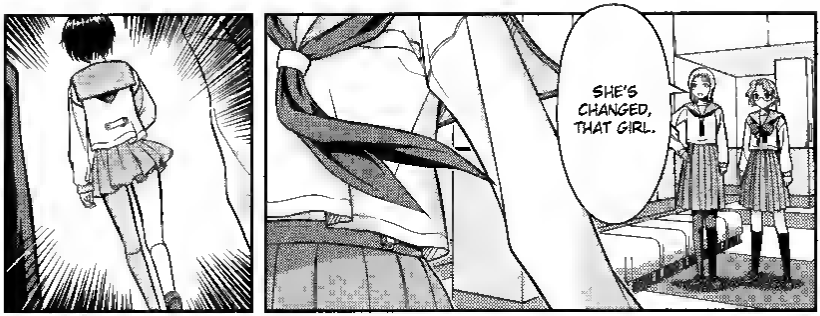
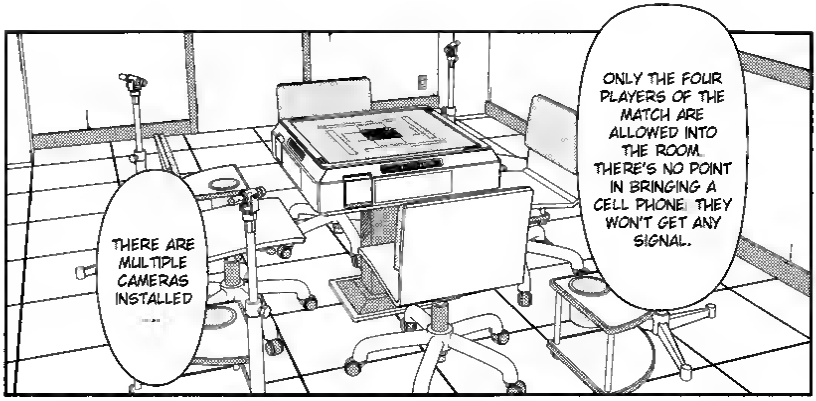
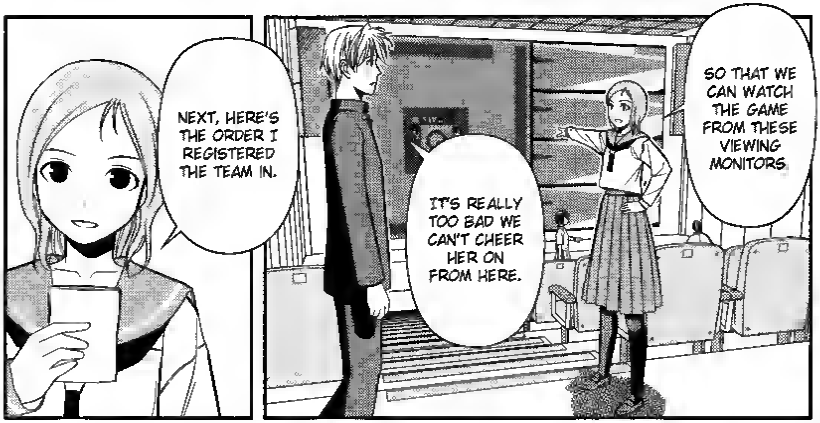
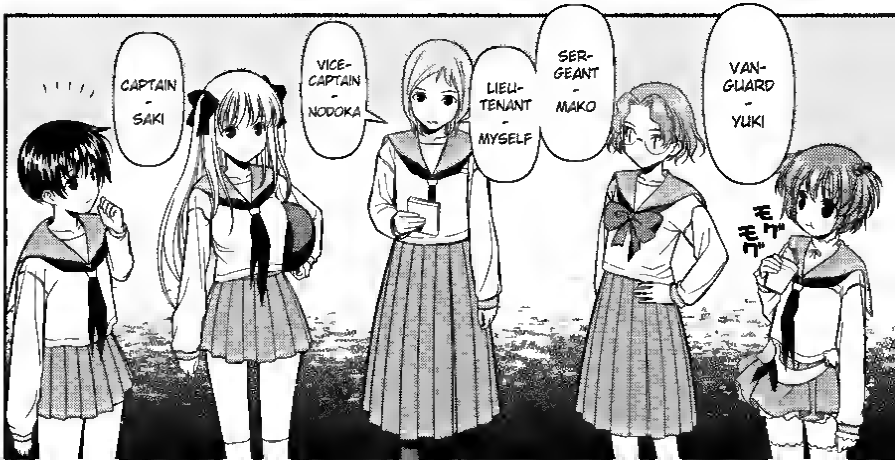

SHE'S CHANGED, THAT GIRL.

NOW IT SEEMS SHE CAN'T HELP BUT WANT TO PLAY MAHJONG.

Round 8: First Battle


THERE ARE MULTIPLE CAMERAS INSTALLED
ONLY THE FOUR PLAYERS OF THE MATCH ARE ALLOWED INTO THE ROOM. THERE'S NO POINT IN BRINGING A CELL PHONE. THEY WON'T GET ANY SIGNAL.


NEXT, HERE'S THE ORDER I REGISTERED THE TEAM IN.
IT'S REALLY TOO BAD WE CAN'T CHEER HER ON FROM HERE.
SO THAT WE CAN WATCH THE GAME FROM THESE VIEWING MONITORS.


CAPTAIN - SAKI
VICE-CAPTAIN - NODOKA
LIEU-TENANT - MYSELF
SER-GEANT - MAKO
VAN-GUARD - YUKI
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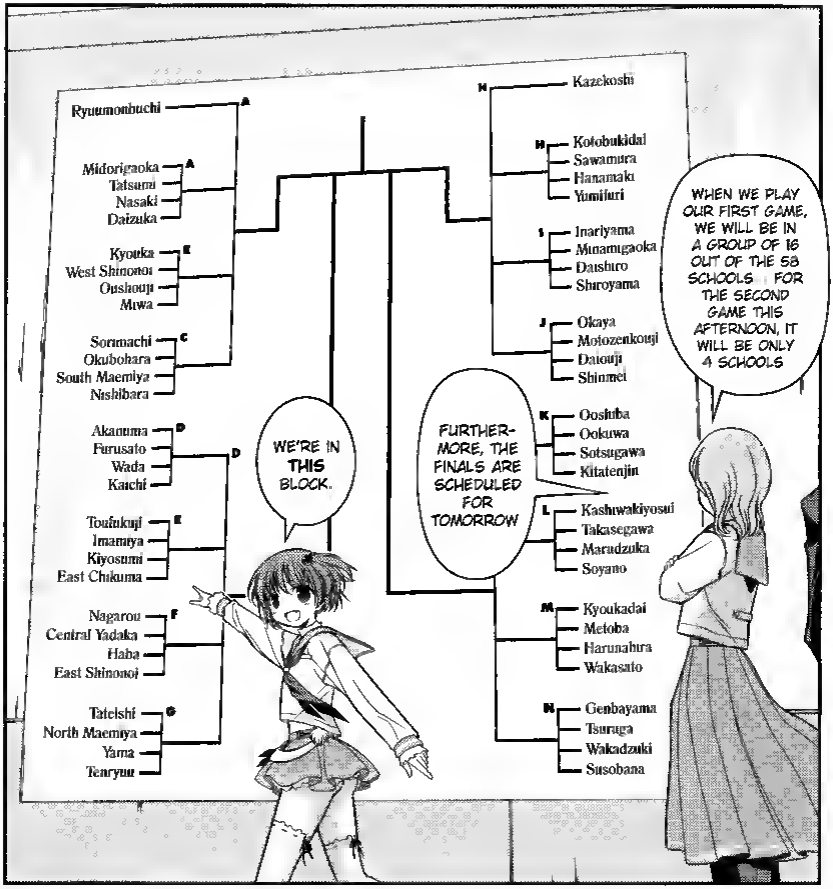
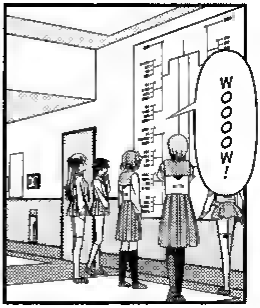
I..
I'M THE LAST PERSON TO PLAY!?
IT'S BECAUSE OF THE SIMULATION WE RAN DURING TRAINING
I FEEL THAT ONLY THIS ORDER WILL DO
EACH SCHOOL CHOOSES ONE STUDENT THOSE FOUR STUDENTS FROM DIFFERENT SCHOOLS ARE SEATED AT ONE TABLE
EACH HAN-CHAN HAS A 100,000 POINT START, AND WHEN IT ENDS, THE NEXT PLAYERS ARE SWITCHED IN.
THE TOTALS OF ALL FIVE MEMBERS ARE ADDED UP AND THE SCHOOL WITH THE HIGHEST TOTAL MOVES UP IN THE TOURNAMENT.
SO THERE'S NO HORSE OR OKA
IN THE SECOND HALF OF THE TOURNAMENT, THE GAME STOPS BECOMING ALL ABOUT POINT-GATHERING.
しゃぼーん
SO, TOBI COMES INTO PLAY.
IN OTHER WORDS,
THE THEORY IS YOU SHOULD PUT A STRONG PLAYER AS THE VANGUARD! THAT IS, THE STRONGEST AMONG US.
IT HELPS THAT YOU DON'T CALCULATE THE POINT SPREAD.


Ryuumonbuchi
Midorigaoka
Tatsumi
Nasaki
Daizuka
Kyouka
West Shinonoi
Oushouji
Miwa
Sonmachi
Okubohara
South Maemiya
Nishibara
Akanuma
Furusato
Wada
Kaichi
Toufukuji
Imamiya
Kiyosumi
East Chikuma
Nagarou
Central Yadaka
Haba
East Shinonoi
Tateishi
North Maemiya
Yama
Tenryuu
Kazekoshi
Kotobukidai
Sawamura
Hanamaki
Yumifuri
Inariyama
Minamigaoka
Daishuro
Shiroyama
Okaya
Motozenkouji
Daiouji
Shinmei
Ooshiba
Ookuwa
Sotsugawa
Kitatenjin
Kashiwakiyosui
Takasegawa
Maradzuka
Soyano
Kyoukadai
Metoba
Harunahira
Wakasato
Genbayama
Tsuruga
Wakadzuki
Susobana
WE'RE IN THIS BLOCK.
FURTHER-MORE, THE FINALS ARE SCHEDULED FOR TOMORROW
WHEN WE PLAY OUR FIRST GAME, WE WILL BE IN A GROUP OF 16 OUT OF THE 58 SCHOOLS. FOR THE SECOND GAME THIS AFTERNOON, IT WILL BE ONLY 4 SCHOOLS

THAT'S A LOT OF PEOPLE.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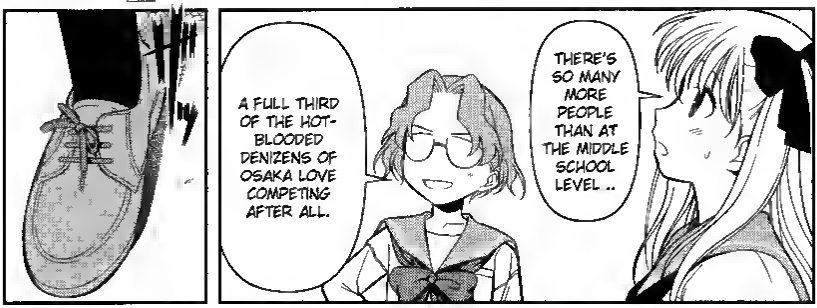
THERE'S SO MANY MORE PEOPLE THAN AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVEL ..
A FULL THIRD OF THE HOT-BLOODED DENIZENS OF OSAKA LOVE COMPETING AFTER ALL.

YOUR FIRST ROUND OPPONENTS ARE ALL PRETTY LAME. THE GIRLS FROM KIYOSUMI, TOU-FUKUJI, AND EAST CHIKUMA.
IT'S AN EASY WIN FOR US.
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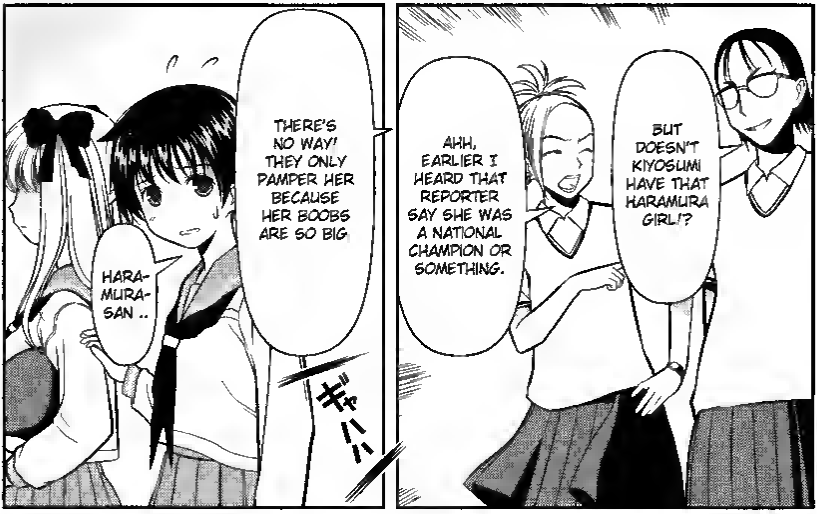
BUT DOESN'T KIYOSUMI HAVE THAT HARAMURA GIRL!?
AHH, EARLIER I HEARD THAT REPORTER SAY SHE WAS A NATIONAL CHAMPION OR SOMETHING.
THERE'S NO WAY! THEY ONLY PAMPER HER BECAUSE HER BOOBS ARE SO BIG.
HARA-MURA-SAN ..
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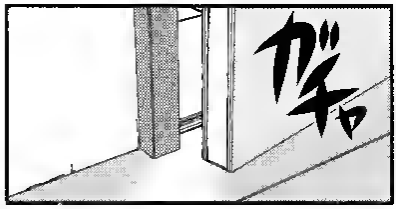
Y...
YEAH.
IT'S ALL RIGHT..
LET'S JUST DO OUR BEST IN THE FIRST ROUND..
IT'S FINALLY MY TURN TO TAKE THE LEADING ROLE.
IN TEN MINUTES, THE FIRST ROUND WILL BEGIN. EACH SCHOOL, PLEASE SEND YOUR VANGUARD TO THE DESIGNATED LOCALE.
DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?
NO, NOTHING..

GOOD LUCK
YEAH
WELL THEN, WE'LL ALL BE CHEERING FOR YOU FROM THE SCREEN

YOU CAN LEAVE IT TO ME!!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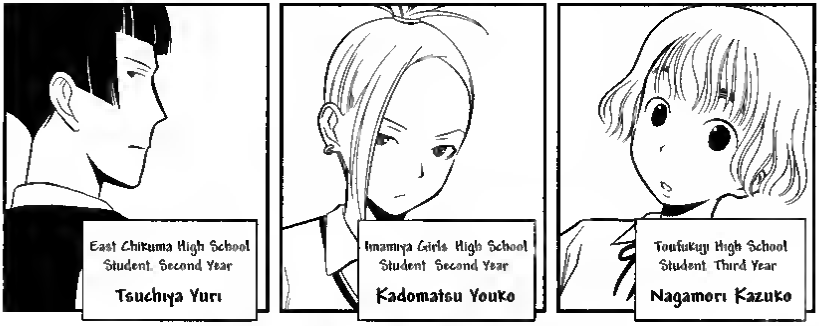
Block E Game


East Chikuma High School
Student, Second Year
Tsuchiya Yuri
Imamiya Girls High School
Student, Second Year
Kadomatsu Youko
Toufukuji High School
Student, Third Year
Nagamori Kazuko

NICE TO MEETCHA!!
Kiyosumi High School
Student, First Year
Kataoka Yuki

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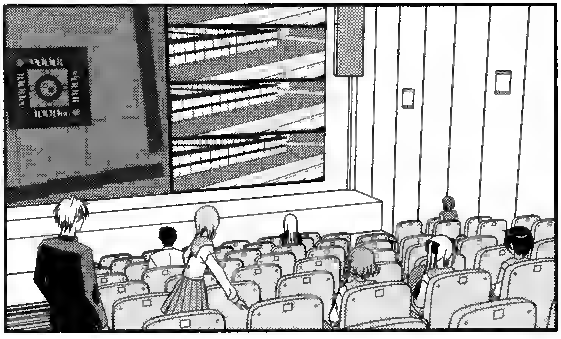

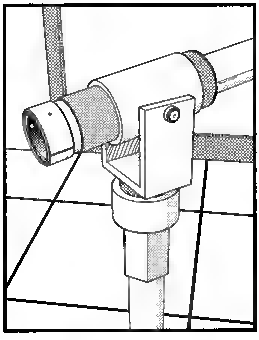

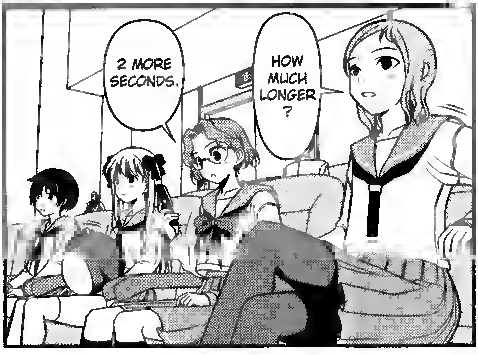
2 MORE SECONDS.
HOW MUCH LONGER?

BEGIN THE FIRST MATCH!
East First Round Dealer Yuki

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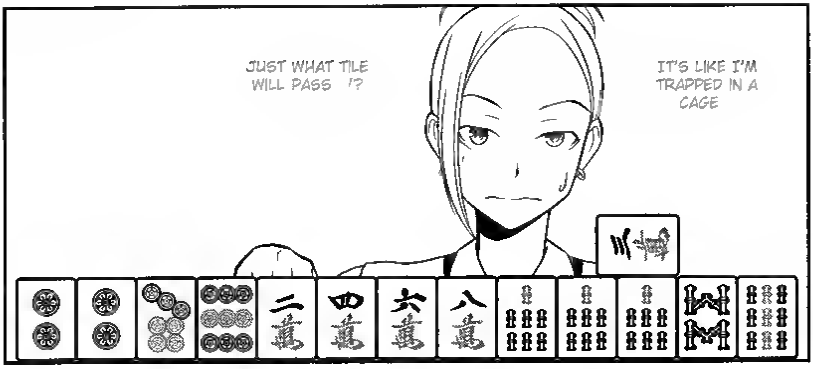
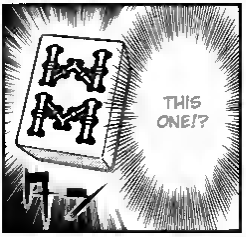
IT GETS BETTER
WOW...
PON.
WILL YOU ALL BE ABLE TO KEEP UP !?
MY SPEED WAS KNOWN AS THE FASTEST BACK HOME...
I LET HER CALL A DOUBLE EAST OFF OF ME...

KAN!
SHE ADDED ANOTHER ONE?
TWO DORAS!!
CHI.


JUST WHAT TILE WILL PASS !?
IT'S LIKE I'M TRAPPED IN A CAGE

RON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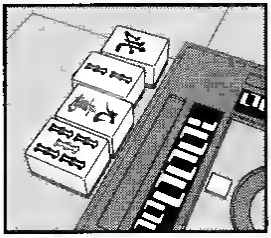
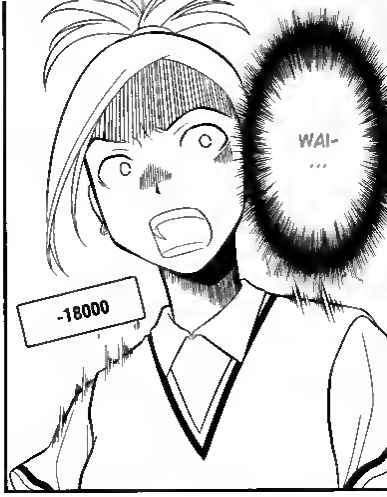
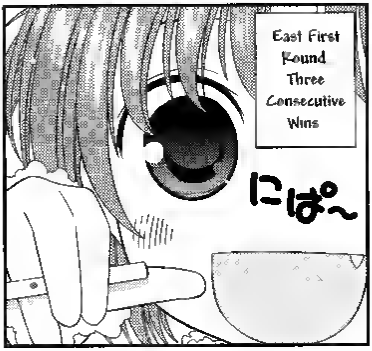


DEALER HANEMAN, 18000 POINTS!
+18000

East First Round One Consecutive Win
TSUMO, 2100 ALL!
+6300


WAI-...
-18000


East First Round Three Consecutive Wins
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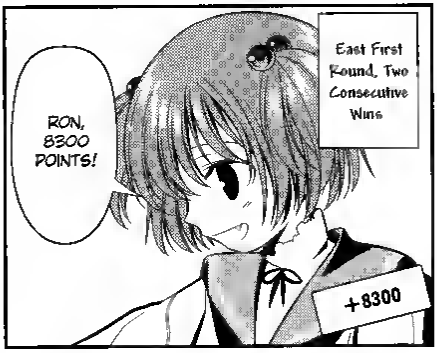
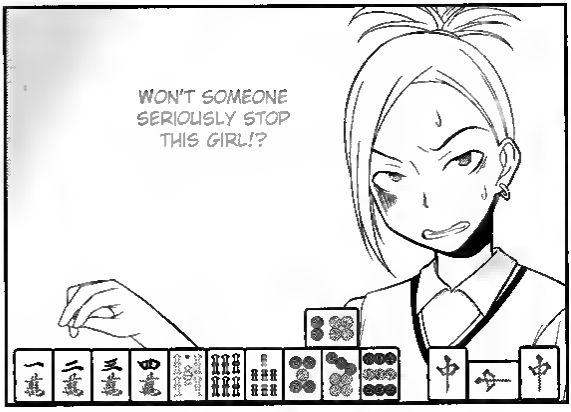

East First Round, Two Consecutive Wins
RON, 8300 POINTS!
+8300


WON'T SOMEONE SERIOUSLY STOP THIS GIRL!?

RIICHI!

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I SHOULDN'T LOSE HERE!!
JUST WHAT THE HELL AM I DOING!?
IT'S HERE.

+24900
IPPATSU TSUMO, MENTANPIN SANSHOKU, SINGLE DORA,
8300 ALL!!
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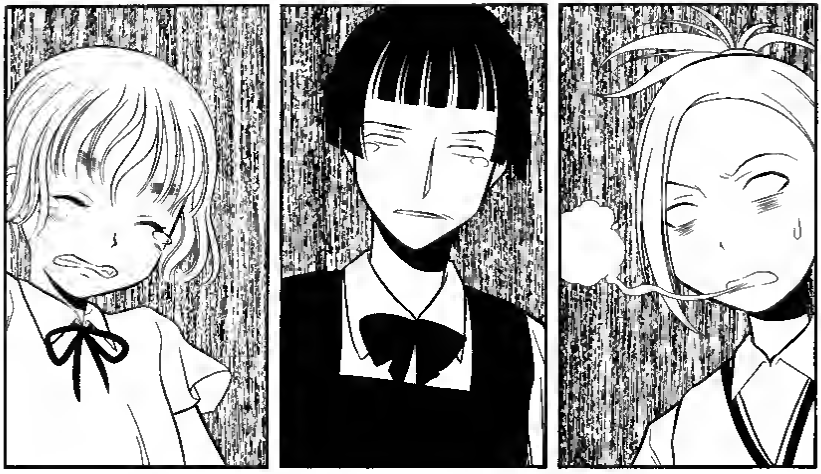
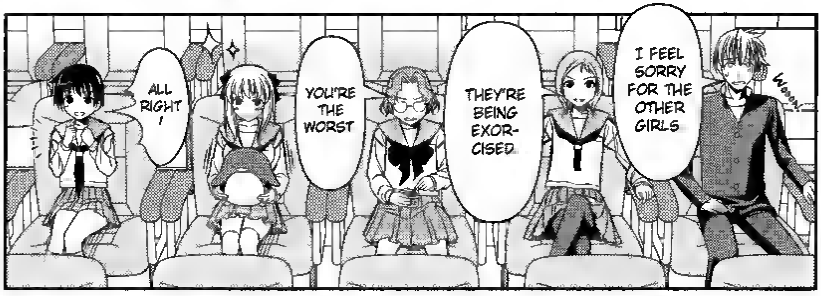
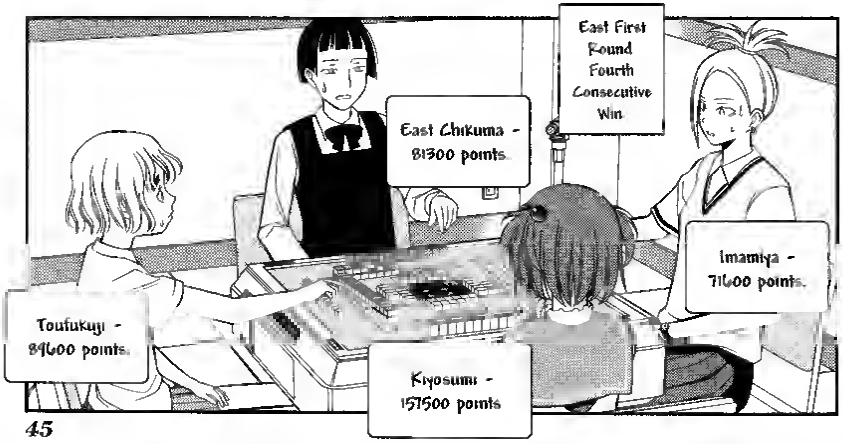



ALL RIGHT!
YOU'RE THE WORST
THEY'RE BEING EXORCISED.
I FEEL SORRY FOR THE OTHER GIRLS
Wasn't


East First Round Fourth Consecutive Win
East Chikuma - 81300 points
Imamiya - 71600 points
Toufukuji - 84600 points
Kiyosumi - 157500 points

AWW
MY TACO-POWER STREAK WAS BROKEN...
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R-RON, BY TANYAO
HELL YEAH!
THE E-BLOCK VANGUARD GAME HAS ENDED.
30 Minutes Later
East Chikuma - 86200 points
Toufukuji - 84400 points
Imamiya - 79800 points
Kiyosumi - 149600 points
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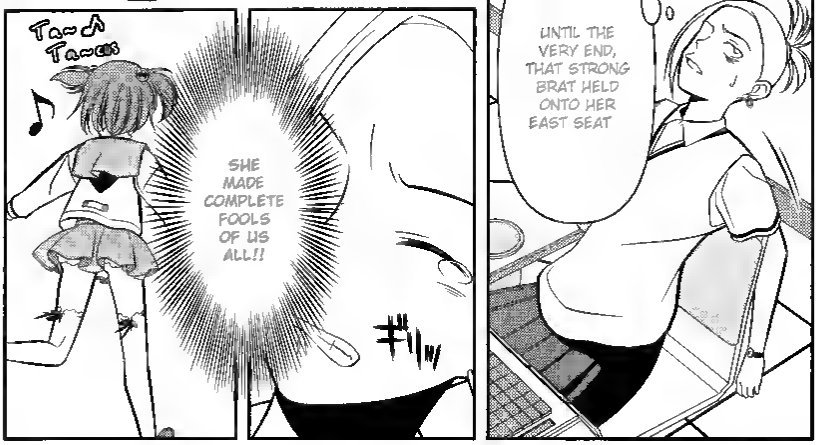
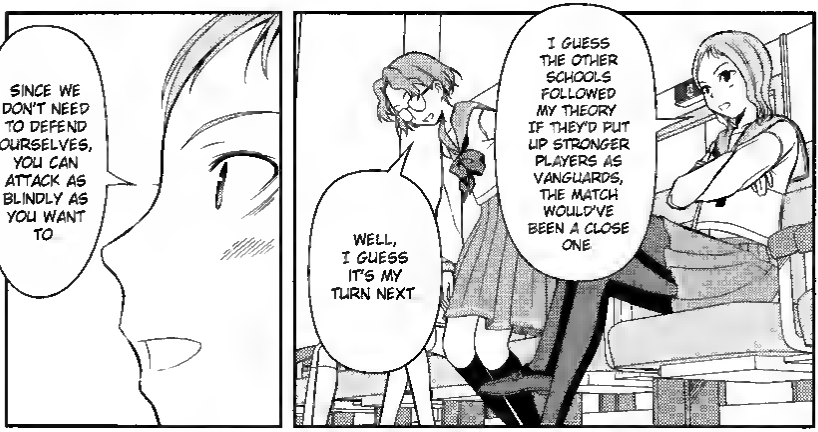
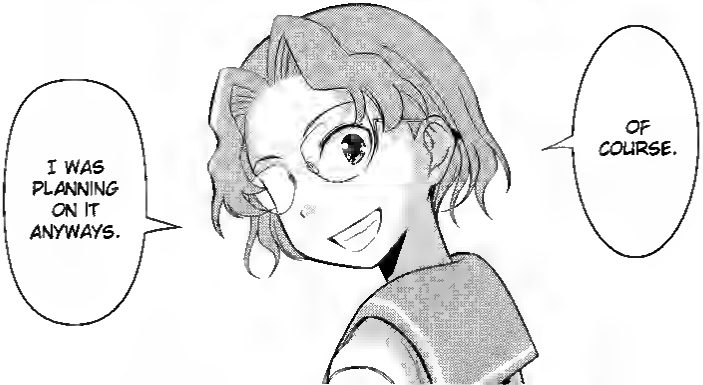
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.


Ta~♪ Ta~♪
SHE MADE COMPLETE FOOLS OF US ALL!!
#1N!
UNTIL THE VERY END, THAT STRONG BRAT HELD ONTO HER EAST SEAT


SINCE WE DON'T NEED TO DEFEND OURSELVES, YOU CAN ATTACK AS BLINDLY AS YOU WANT TO
WELL, I GUESS IT'S MY TURN NEXT
I GUESS THE OTHER SCHOOLS FOLLOWED MY THEORY IF THEY'D PUT UP STRONGER PLAYERS AS VANGUARDS, THE MATCH WOULD'VE BEEN A CLOSE ONE


I WAS PLANNING ON IT ANYWAYS.
OF COURSE.

I'LL BE BACK!!

Sergeant Battle South Second Round
Toufukuji High School, First Year
Misa Akiko.
+3500 points
(Team Total: 81900)
Imamiya High School, First Year
Douyama Yukari.
+15400 points
(Team Total: 95200)
East Chikuma High School Third Year Student
Ogawa Seriko
-5900 points
(Team Total: 80300)
MAKO HAS BEEN PLAYING MAHJONG FOR I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG.
ISN'T SOMEYA-SENPAI CUTTING IT A LITTLE CLOSE?
Kiyosumi High School, Second Year
Someya Mako.
-13000 points
(Team Total: 136600)
EVERYONE HAS MOMENTS WHERE THEY JUST CAN'T GET GOOD HANDS.
BUT, WATCH CAREFULLY.

Round 9: Advent

16000 POINTS!
RON.
WHOA
TSUMO! 3000/6000 POINTS!!
3900 POINTS!
RON!
GOOD GAME!
Imamiya +8500 points (Team Total 88300)
Toufukuji -18500 points (Team Total 65100)
East Chikuma -8900 points (Team Total 71300)
Kiyosumi +18900 points. (Team Total 108500)
The E-block sergeant game has ended

PLEASE DO YOUR BEST.
MM
I GUESS I'LL BE BACK.
WELL,
Lieutenant Game...
Kiyosumi High School, Third Year
Takei Hisa
SAKI AND NODOKA, HAVE YOU GIRLS EATEN ANYTHING FROM THE CAFE ON THE SECOND FLOOR YET?
UM... WHY...?
YOU'VE BEEN LEARNING WEIRD THINGS FROM THE TELEVISION AGAIN, HAVEN'T YOU...?
Married woman!
BECAUSE EATING BANANAS AND DAIRY PRODUCTS AT THE SAME TIME ACTIVATES YOUR MEMORY CENTER!

IS IT OKAY IF WE DON'T CHEER ON THE PRESIDENT DURING HER GAME?
SHE'LL BE FINE
AFTER ALL, THAT PERSON HASN'T BEEN DOING BADLY UP UNTIL NOW.
THAT GIRL
THE KIYOSUMI GIRL FROM EARLIER
JUST WHERE DID THAT JERK TOUKA WALK OFF TO ANYWAYS?
HM?
HEY.

THESE PEOPLE ARE
HEY, YOU!
!
UM... I'M NOT...
I AM HARAMURA NODOKA
ARE YOU.. HARA-MURA NODOKA?
RYUU-MON-BUCHI HIGH SCHOOL ..!!
YOU ARE!?
That's right

THEN...
.....
WHY IS TOUKA SO CONCERNED ABOUT SOMETHING LIKE HER!?
ISN'T IT REALLY RUDE TO CALL HER A "SOMETHING"?
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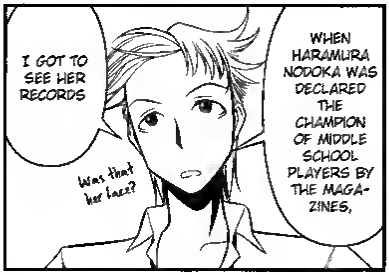
JUST WHO THE HELL ARE YOU!?
THE PRESIDENT... IT SEEMS SHE'S FINISHED?
THAT WAS FAST.
E-BLOCK'S LIEUTENANT BATTLE HAS FINISHED!

WANNA GO SEE?
NAH

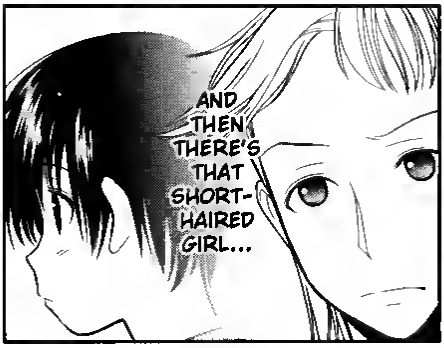
It's my turn now.
EXCUSE US.

SEEING HER FREQUENT MISTAKES IN THE DIGITAL RECORDS...
FRANKLY, I THOUGHT SHE WAS PRETTY BAD...


I GOT TO SEE HER RECORDS
Was that her face?
WHEN HARAMURA NODOKA WAS DECLARED THE CHAMPION OF MIDDLE SCHOOL PLAYERS BY THE MAGAZINES,

KNOWN AS THE LEGEND OF THE WORLD OF NET MAHJONG... THAT "NODOCCHI"?
"NODOCCHI"?
People were saying it was a program created by the managers.

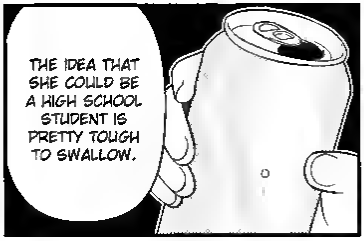
HARAMURA NODOKA COULD BE THE INFAMOUS "NODOCCHI"!
NEVERTHELESS, THAT TOUKA SAID.
...OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT...

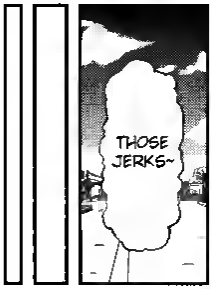

AND THEN THERE'S THAT SHORT-HAIRED GIRL...

BECAUSE "NODOCCHI" DOESN'T EVER MAKE MISTAKES,
HARAMURA NODOKA IS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM HER.
THE NAMES ARE PRETTY SIMILAR THOUGH.

BUT EVEN IF SUCH A THING WERE TRUE, OUR GROUP OF FIVE,
HAVE NEVER LOST.

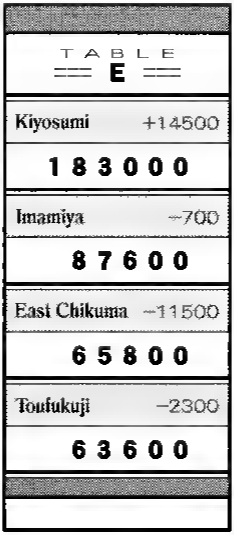
IF SHE'S "NODOCCHI," SHE'S STRANGELY STRONGER THAN SOME PROS


THE IDEA THAT SHE COULD BE A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT IS PRETTY TOUGH TO SWALLOW.


THOSE JERKS~

HEY, THAT'S RIGHT!!
EVEN THOUGH AMAE AND TOUKA HAVEN'T RETURNED YET?

THAT WAS FAST.
SHE WON SIX ROUNDS WITH NOTHING BUT CHEAP, QUICK HANDS.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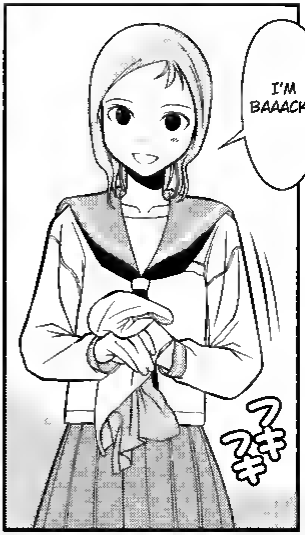
Kiyosumi +14500
183000
Imamiya -700
87600
East Chikuma -11500
65800
Toufukuji -2300
63600


I'M BAAACK~
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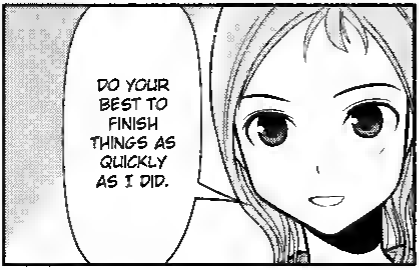
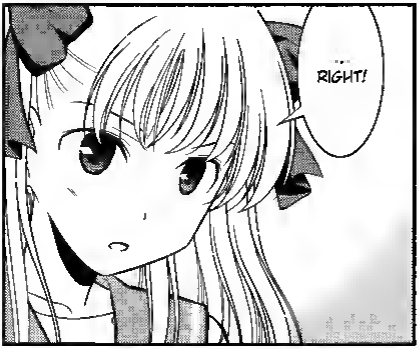

DO YOUR BEST TO FINISH THINGS AS QUICKLY AS I DID.

OKAY, IT'S YOUR TURN NEXT.
RIGHT.


RIGHT!

DO YOUR BEST, HARAMURA-SAN!
YEAH.

I WILL BE BACK!

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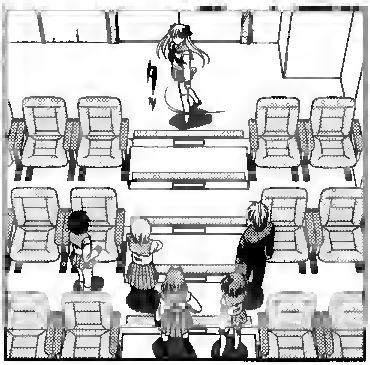

KIYOSUMI... NEVER HEARD THAT NAME BEFORE
JUST WHY DID HARAMURA ENTER A SCHOOL LIKE THAT?
HARA-MURA NODOKA IS PLAYING.
WHERE?
E-BLOCK, IN FIVE MINUTES.
HOHO HO!
WOW
IT GOT CROWDED PRETTY QUICKLY.
BOOKING A SEAT IN ADVANCE TURNED OUT TO BE THE RIGHT MOVE!!
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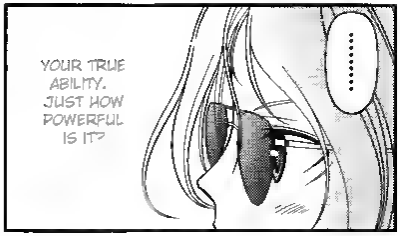
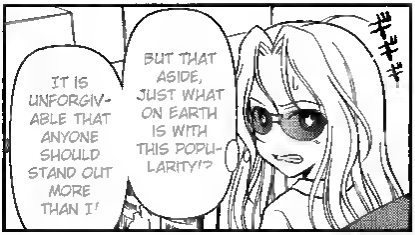
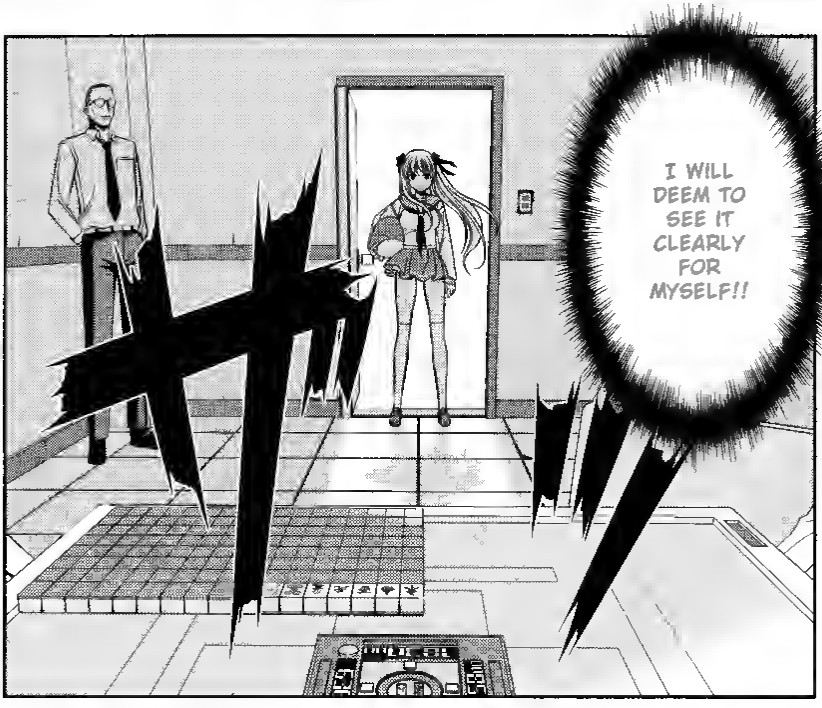
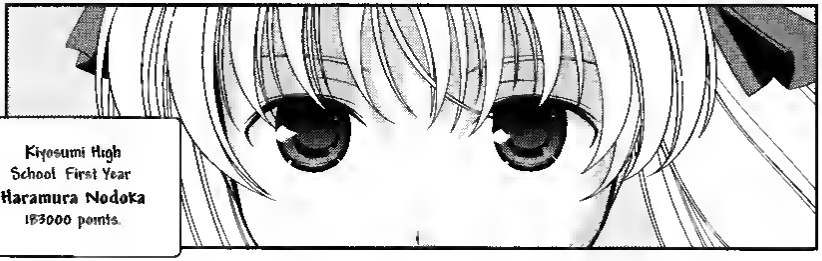
Ryuumonbuchi Touka
In Disguise (Sunglasses Style)



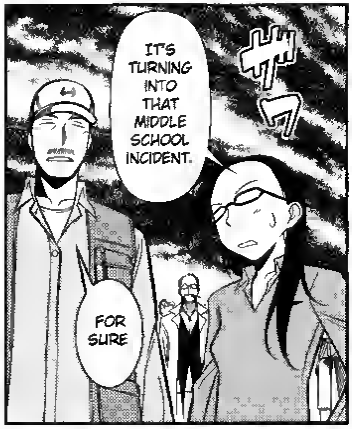


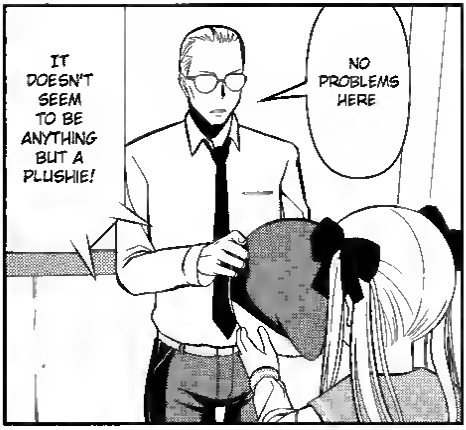


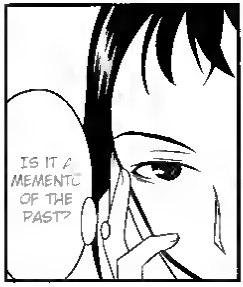


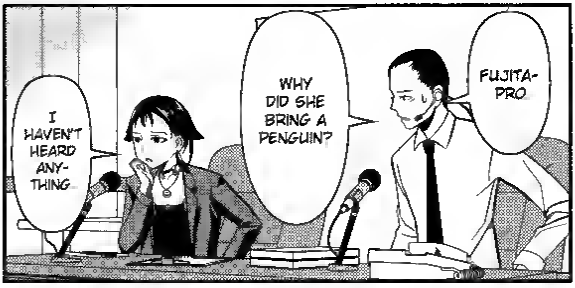
Kiyosumi High School First Year
Haramura Nodoka
183000 points.

East Chikuma High School First Year
Kamigaki Megumi
65800 points
Imamiya High School Third Year
Tanaka Mai
87600 points
Toufukuji High School Second Year
Kawachi Chisemi
63600 points
WHAT IS WITH THAT PLUSHIE ...?
Broad-casting Room
WELL, THEY'RE INSPECTING IT NOW, BUT..
IT'S A PLEASURE TO MEET YOU


IT'S TURNING INTO THAT MIDDLE SCHOOL INCIDENT.
FOR SURE


IT DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANYTHING BUT A PLUSHIE!
NO PROBLEMS HERE


IS IT A MEMENTO OF THE PAST?


I HAVEN'T HEARD ANY-THING.
WHY DID SHE BRING A PENGUIN?
FUJITA-PRO.

GOOD LU-CK.
S'THAT RIGHT?
SHE GOT IT, SHE GOT IT!

WE SHALL ALSO USE STUFFED ANIMALS TO STAND OUT.

FIRST NIGHT OF TRAINING...
NODO-CHAN, YOU'VE GOT THE PENGUIN AGAIN?
COME TO THINK OF IT, YOU HAD IT IN THE CLUBROOM, TOO.
CAN YOU NOT SLEEP WITHOUT IT OR SOME-THING?
HUH!?
NO...
YES.
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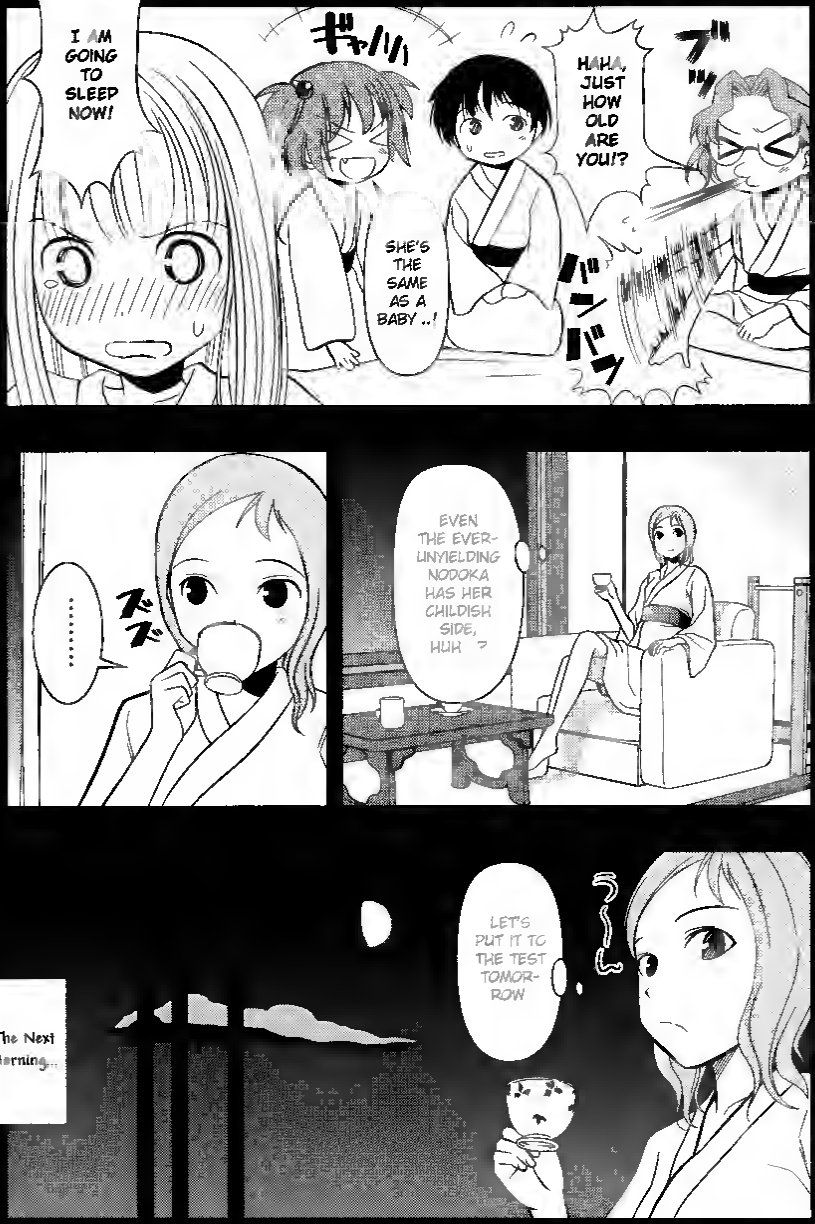
I AM GOING TO SLEEP NOW!
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SHE'S THE SAME AS A BABY ..!
HAHA, JUST HOW OLD ARE YOU!?
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EVEN THE EVER-UNYIELDING NODOKA HAS HER CHILDISH SIDE, HUH ?
The Next Morning...
LET'S PUT IT TO THE TEST TOMOR-ROW
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TODAY, NODOKA WILL TRY PLAYING WHILE HOLDING HER PENGUIN.
HUH ...!?
I'LL HOLD MY TACOS~.
WHEN YOU PLAY YOUR NET MAHJONG AT HOME, YOU ARE RATHER STRONG.
IF HUGGING YOUR PENGUIN AT HOME ALLOWS YOU TO SLEEP BETTER,
W-WHY ARE WE...?
HUGGING IT HERE MIGHT BRING OUT THE WAY YOU PLAY MAHJONG AT HOME.
BUT SOMETHING THIS EMBARRASSING WILL ONLY MAKE ME TENSE UP...
YOU'LL GET USED TO IT BY THE TIME OF THE TOURNAMENT!

IS THIS HER TRUE SELF!?
THAT'S WHAT I'M TELLING YOU!
DON'T TELL ME...
THIS IS GOING TO COME WITH US...?
WELL,
.....
HOW-EVER,
THE FREQUENCY OF NODOKA'S MISTAKES REALLY DID DROP RAPIDLY AFTER WE INVESTED IN THE PENGUIN
ABOUT HALF OF IT WAS JUST A PLAN TO COLLECT JOKE MATERIAL ON HER.
JOKE MATE-RIAL!?
NOW, THE "NODOCCHI" THAT WAS KNOWN AS THE STRONGEST ON THE NET...

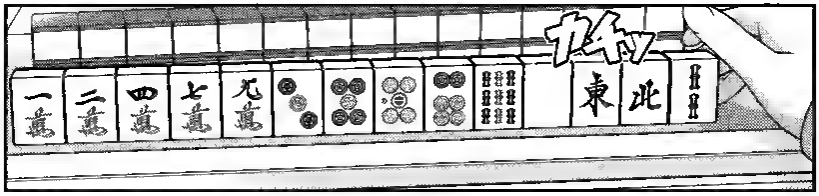
HAS
ARRIVED HERE...!!

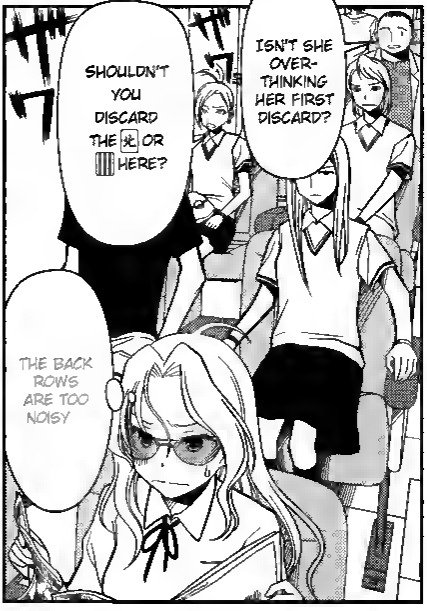
IT HAS BEGUN!
THE E-BLOCK VICE-CAPTAIN BATTLE!!

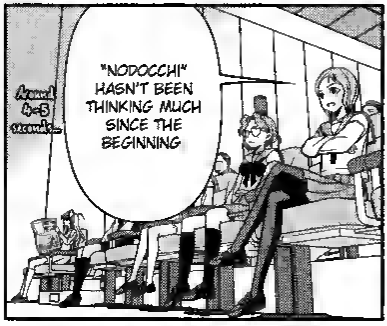
Round 10: The Fastest

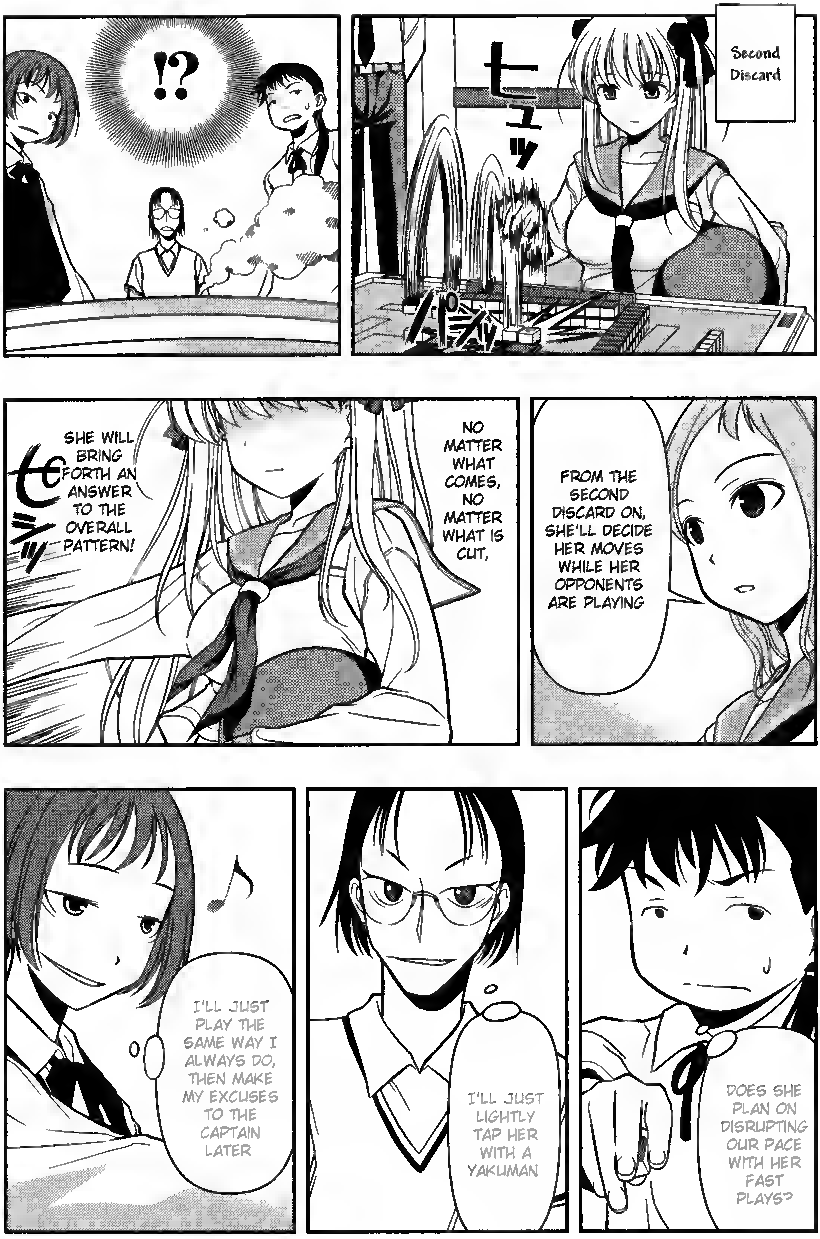
East First Round South Seat Kiyosumi High School **Haramura Nodoka**

PARDON ME.





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Second Discard
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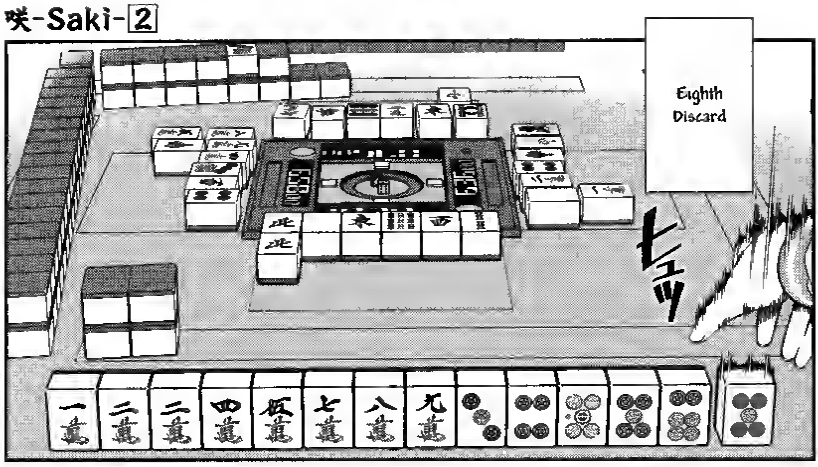
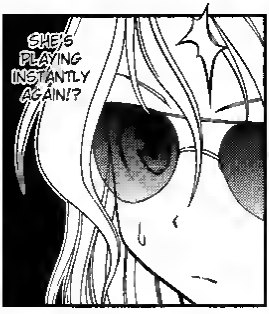
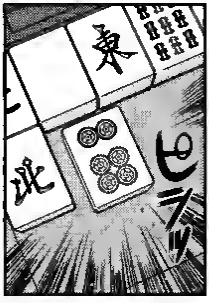
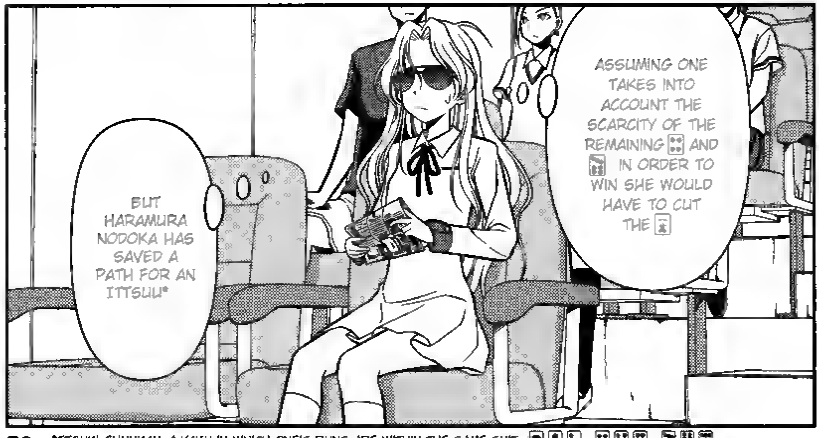
FROM THE SECOND DISCARD ON, SHE'LL DECIDE HER MOVES WHILE HER OPPONENTS ARE PLAYING
NO MATTER WHAT COMES, NO MATTER WHAT IS CUT,
SHE WILL BRING FORTH AN ANSWER TO THE OVERALL PATTERN!
DOES SHE PLAN ON DISRUPTING OUR PACE WITH HER FAST PLAYS?
I'LL JUST LIGHTLY TAP HER WITH A YAKUMAN
I'LL JUST PLAY THE SAME WAY I ALWAYS DO, THEN MAKE MY EXCUSES TO THE CAPTAIN LATER



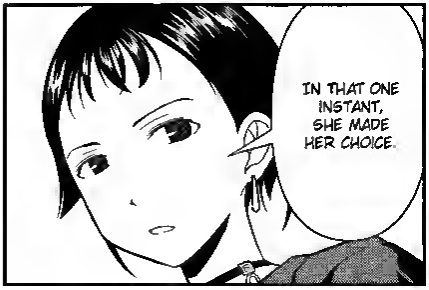


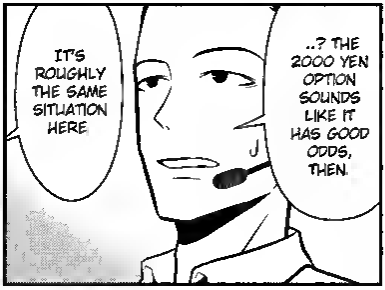


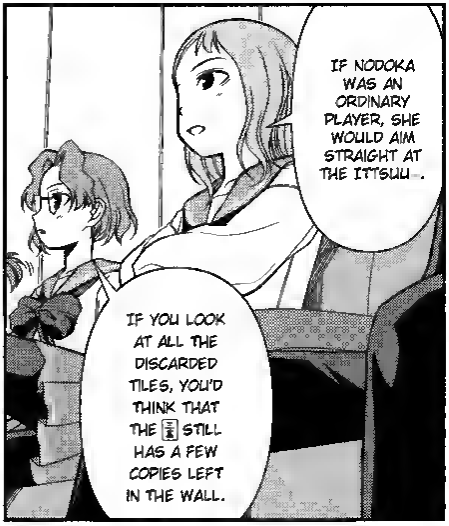

ASSUMING ONE TAKES INTO ACCOUNT THE SCARCITY OF THE REMAINING 四 AND 四 IN ORDER TO WIN SHE WOULD HAVE TO CUT THE 五
BUT HARAMURA NODOKA HAS SAVED A PATH FOR AN ITTSUU*

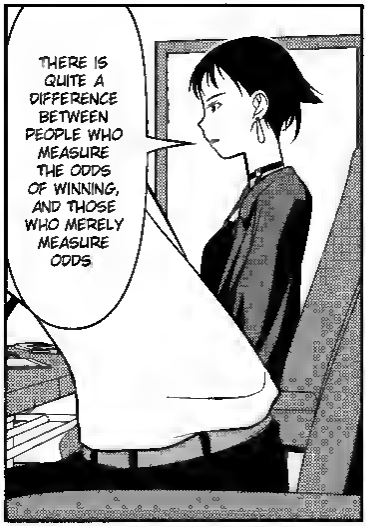
*ITSUKI SHUUKAN. A YAKU IN WHICH ONE'S RUNS ARE WITHIN THE SAME SUIT. 一二三 四五六 七八九

FUJITA-PRO, THE CUT OF THE [8] JUST NOW...
A 50% SHOT AT 1000 YEN, OR A 33.3% SHOT AT 2000 YEN..
IF YOU COULD DO IT OVER AS OFTEN AS YOU'D LIKE, WHICH WOULD YOU CHOOSE?


IN THAT ONE INSTANT, SHE MADE HER CHOICE.


..? THE 2000 YEN OPTION SOUNDS LIKE IT HAS GOOD ODDS, THEN.
IT'S ROUGHLY THE SAME SITUATION HERE.


IF NODOKA WAS AN ORDINARY PLAYER, SHE WOULD AIM STRAIGHT AT THE ITTSUU.
IF YOU LOOK AT ALL THE DISCARDED TILES, YOU'D THINK THAT THE [2] STILL HAS A FEW COPIES LEFT IN THE WALL.


THERE IS QUITE A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PEOPLE WHO MEASURE THE ODDS OF WINNING, AND THOSE WHO MERELY MEASURE ODDS

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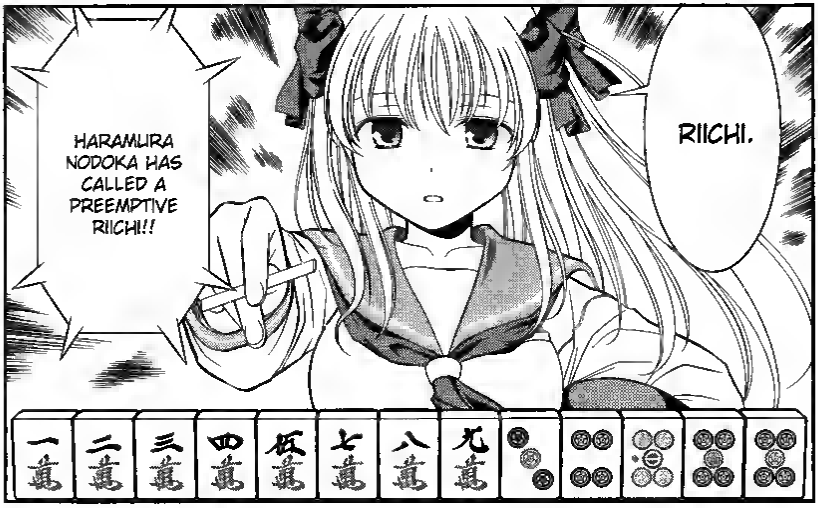
IT CAME
Tenth Discard


HARAMURA NODOKA HAS CALLED A PREEMPTIVE RIICHI!!
RIICHI.

FUR-THER-MORE
WOULDN'T A FULL-OUT ATTACK, RATHER THAN DEFENSE, BE THE CHOICE THAT BEST SUPPORTS THE TEAM?
DESPITE HER TEAM BEING THE BEST OFF RIGHT NOW, SHE DECLARES A RIICHI?

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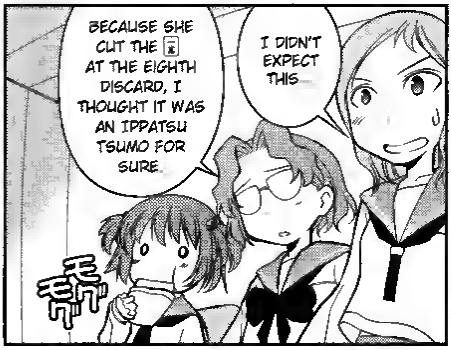
SHE SEEMS TO BE GOING FOR REALLY BIG PLAYS, WITHOUT CONSIDERING TEAM BATTLE STRATEGIES


I DIDN'T EXPECT THIS...
BECAUSE SHE CUT THE 8 AT THE EIGHTH DISCARD, I THOUGHT IT WAS AN IPPATSU TSUMO FOR SURE...
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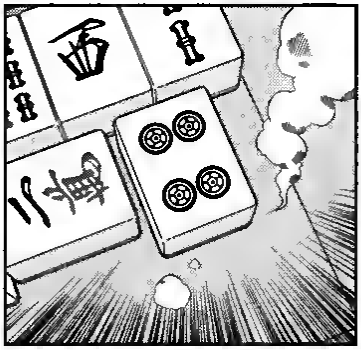
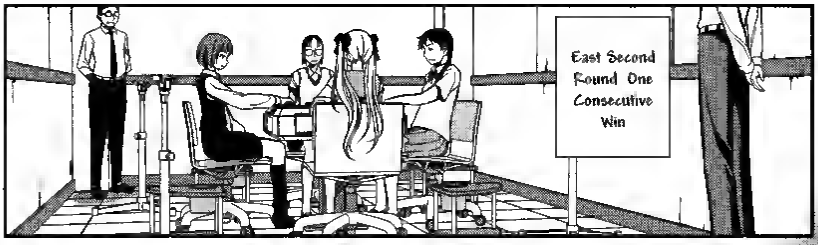


HARAMURA NODOKA'S A LITTLE DISAP-POINTING.
I AGREE...
ALL RIGHT!
SHE ISN'T SO PROMINENT ANYMORE!!

Null Round
TENPAI
NO TEN FOR ME.
I WAS IN TENPAI.
NO TEN

IT WAS THE STYLE OF THE "NODOCCHI" YOU CAN ONLY SEE ON THE NET...

BUT STILL, THE STRATEGY OF THAT PLAY JUST NOW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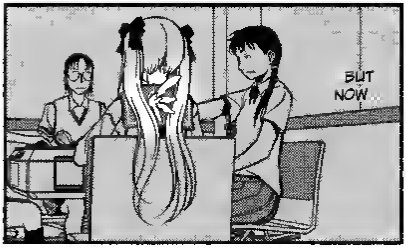
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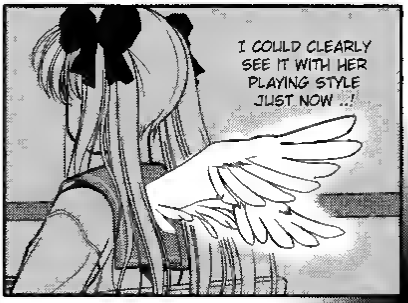
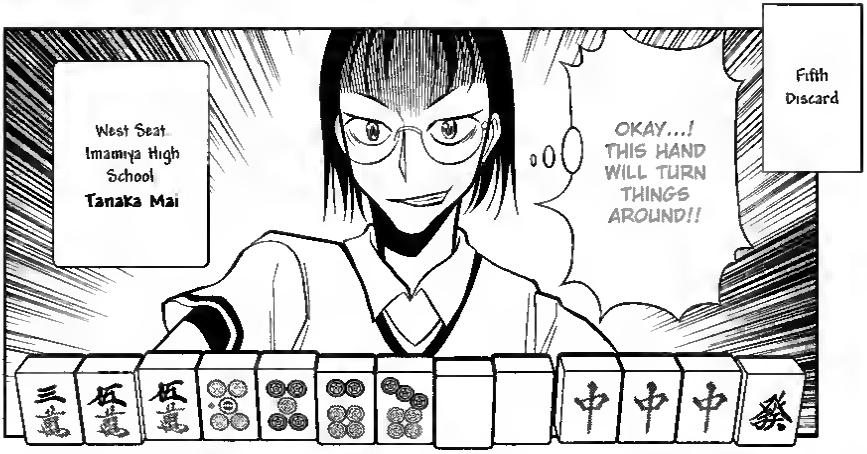
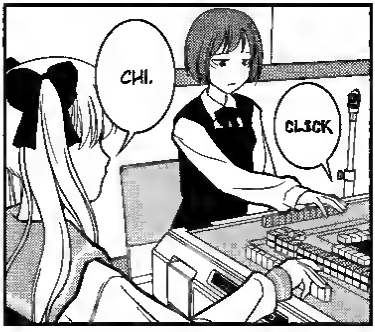
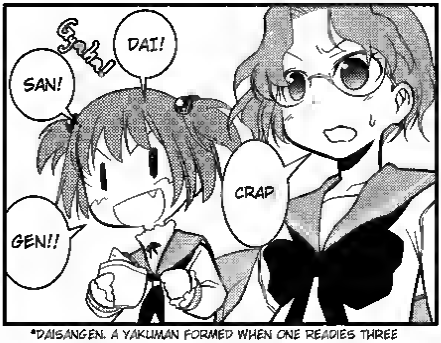

I COULD CLEARLY SEE IT WITH HER PLAYING STYLE JUST NOW ..!

THE SHADOW OF HARAMURA NODOKA'S MIDDLE SCHOOL ERA SUPREMACY HAD BEEN FADING IN AND OUT...

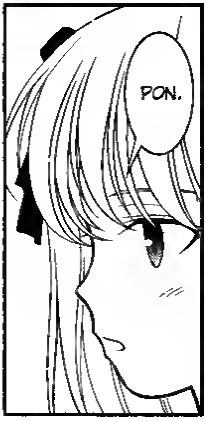
THE SHADOW OF "NODOCCHI" ...!

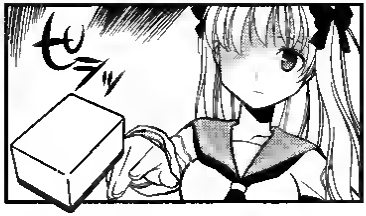


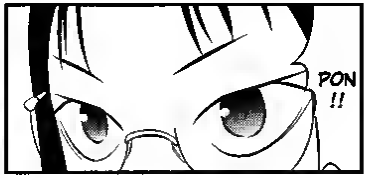




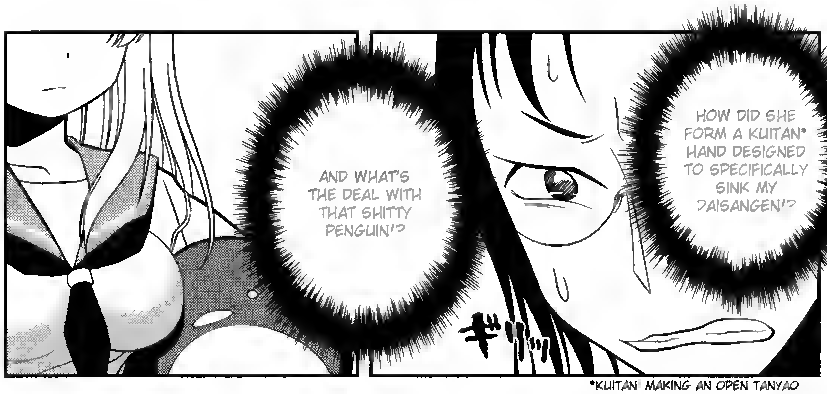
*DAISANGEN. A YAKUMAN FORMED WHEN ONE READIES THREE COMPLETE SETS OF THE HAKU, HATSU, AND CHUN TILES



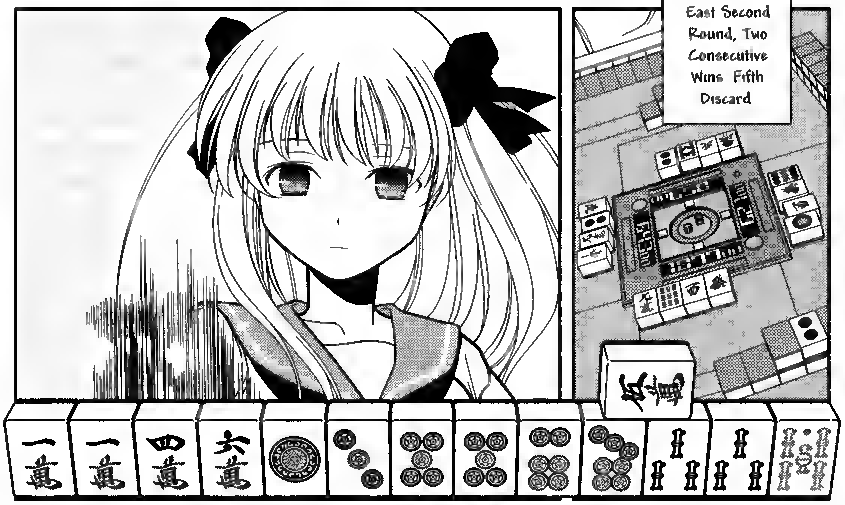




COME!!
I DID IT...!!
RON.
TANYAO, SINGLE DORA: 2900 BECOMES 3200 POINTS.
DAMN YOOOU !!



*KUITAN: MAKING AN OPEN TANYAO



*RYANKAN: A TYPE OF WAIT WHERE THE TILES FORM PATTERNS LIKE OR ETC.

Eleventh Discard
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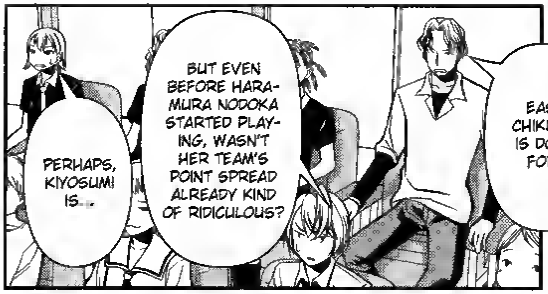
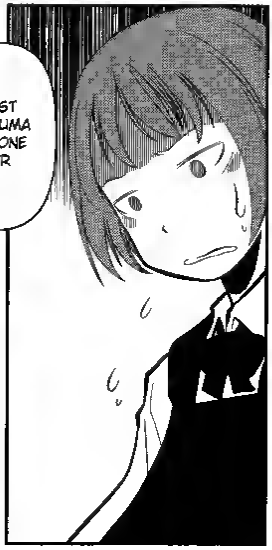
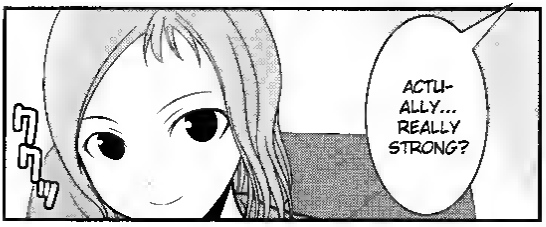
SANSHOKU, TWO DORAS.
12000 POINTS BECOMES 12600!


BUT EVEN BEFORE HARAMURA NODOKA STARTED PLAYING, WASN'T HER TEAM'S POINT SPREAD ALREADY KIND OF RIDICULOUS?
PERHAPS, KIYOSUMI IS...


EAST CHIKUMA IS DONE FOR


ACTUALLY... REALLY STRONG?
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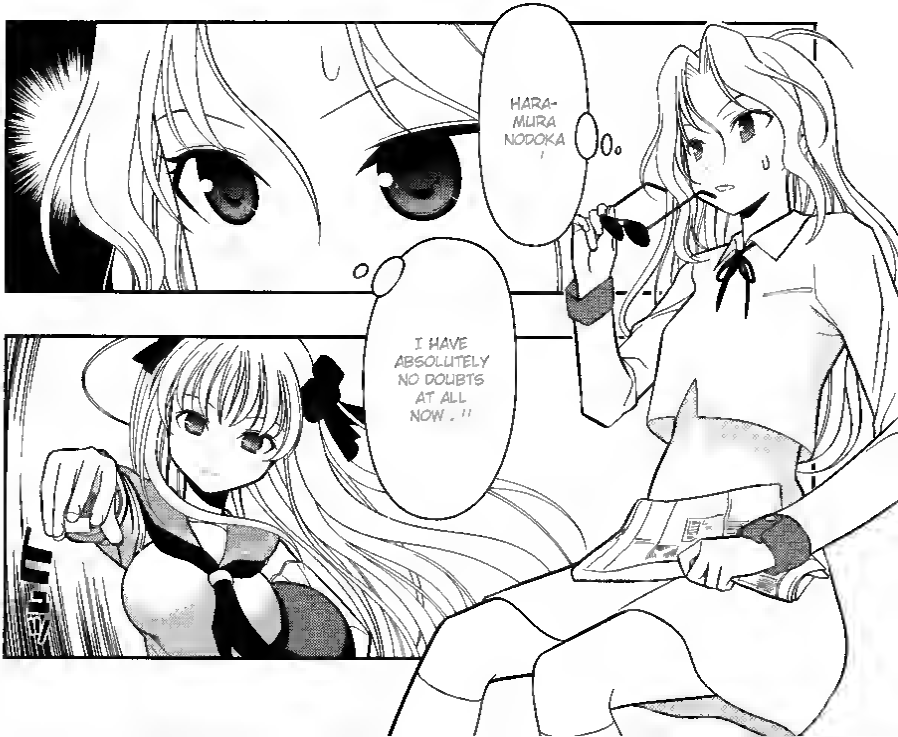
HARAMURA NODOKA!
I HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO DOUBTS AT ALL NOW.!!
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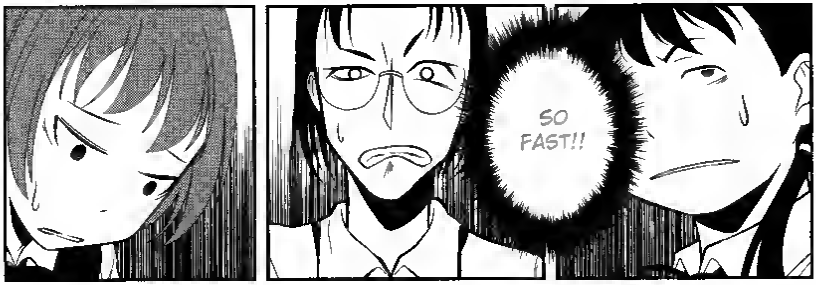
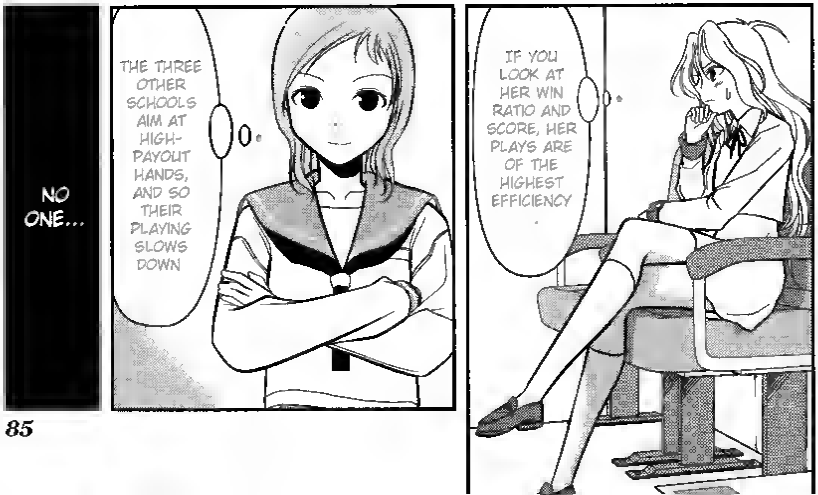
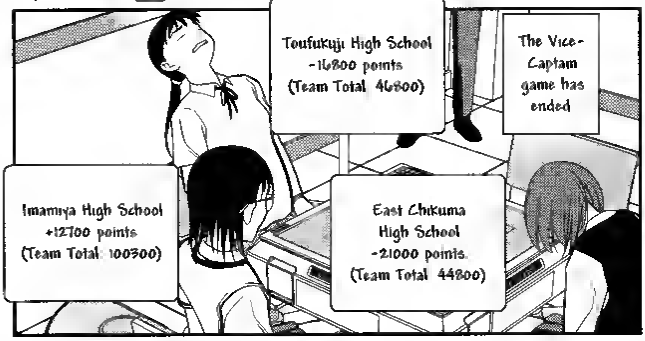
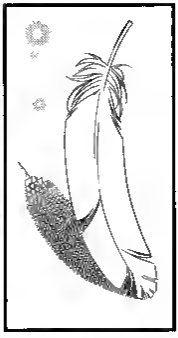
TSUMO.
1300 ALL, PLEASE


SO FAST!!


NO ONE...
THE THREE OTHER SCHOOLS AIM AT HIGH-PAYOUT HANDS, AND SO THEIR PLAYING SLOWS DOWN
IF YOU LOOK AT HER WIN RATIO AND SCORE, HER PLAYS ARE OF THE HIGHEST EFFICIENCY

NO ONE CAN MATCH THE SPEED OF HER GAME...!!


Toufukuji High School
-16800 points
(Team Total: 46800)
The Vice-Captain game has ended
Imamiya High School
+12700 points
(Team Total: 100300)
East Chikuma High School
-21000 points
(Team Total: 44800)



Kiyosumi High School
+25100 points.
(Team Total: 208100)
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

FUJITA-PRO, AFTER WATCHING THE MATCH, WHAT DO YOU THINK?
ゾロ
LET'S GO GRAB SOME FOOD.
ゾロ
AHH, KIYOSUMI'S FIRST ROUND BREAK-THROUGH IS PRETTY SOLID, HUH?
WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE CAUSE OF THIS CHANGE?
MY PREVIOUS ASSESS-MENT OF THAT GIRL WAS WAY OFF
FRANKLY, I'M ASTON-ISHED.
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LADIES! LADIIIES!
PROBABLY.. THE PENGUIN.
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YEAH, RIGHT!

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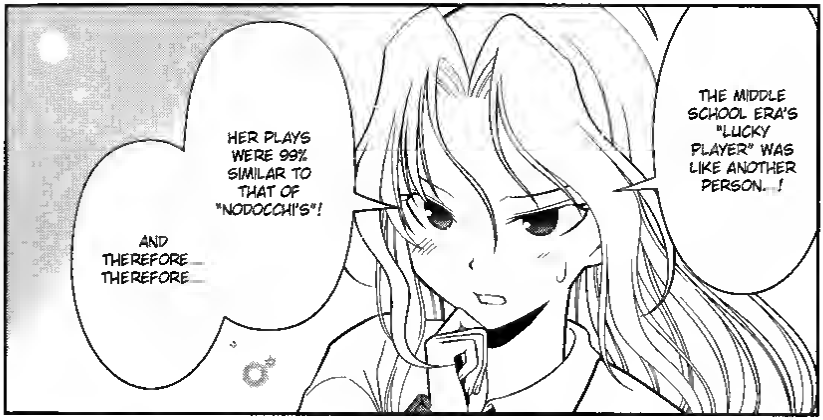
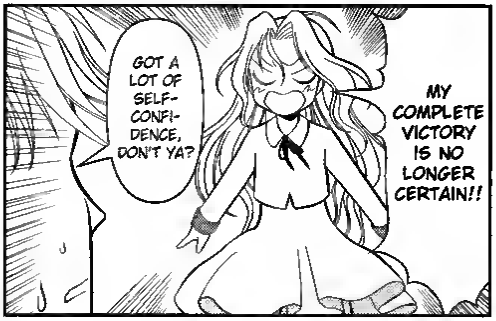
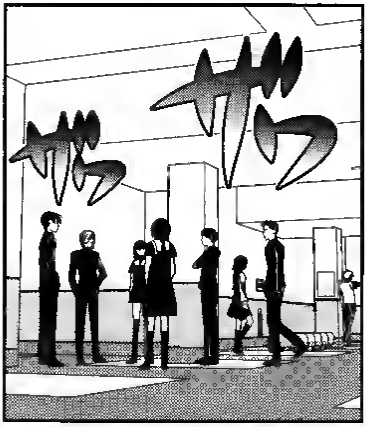
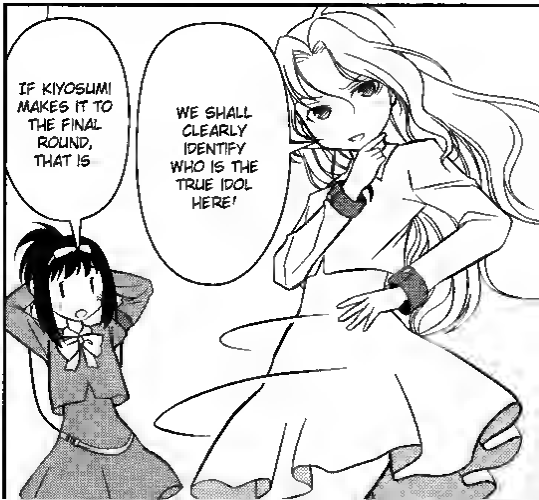
OUS
NEWS!
SERIOUS
NEWS, I
SAY!!
TOUKA!
YOU IDIOT,
JUST
WHERE
HAVE YOU
BEEN!?
HARAMURA
NODOKA
WAS
"NODOCCHI"
AFTER
ALL!!
HUH?
ARE YOU
STILL
SAYING
THINGS LIKE
THAT?


THE MIDDLE SCHOOL ERA'S "LUCKY PLAYER" WAS LIKE ANOTHER PERSON...!
HER PLAYS WERE 99% SIMILAR TO THAT OF "NODOCCHI'S"!
AND THEREFORE... THEREFORE...

OH, YEAH! HARAMURA NODOKA IS VICE-CAPTAIN, SO SHE'LL FACE OFF AGAINST TOUKA


GOT A LOT OF SELF-CONFI-DENCE, DON'T YA?
MY COMPLETE VICTORY IS NO LONGER CERTAIN!!



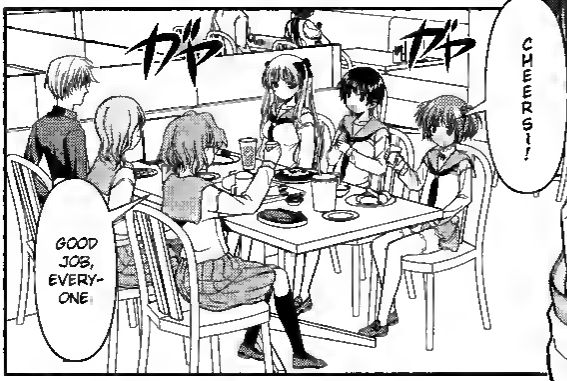

IF KIYOSUMI MAKES IT TO THE FINAL ROUND, THAT IS
WE SHALL CLEARLY IDENTIFY WHO IS THE TRUE IDOL HERE!

YOU KNOW, KIYOSUMI HIGH SCHOOL!
HARAMURA NODOKA? I SAW THAT EARLIER.
HARA-MURA AGAIN!
"IT"?
HEY, DID YOU SEE IT!?
THE CAP-TAIN?
THAT'S NOT IT. THE FIFTH SEAT WHO CAME OUT AFTER HARAMURA--.
!?
THE FIFTH SEAT.. YOU SAID!?
THAT GIRL WAS RIDICULOUSLY AMAZING!
SHE WAS ABLE TO END THE MATCH BY ATTACKING TOUFUKUJI!!

KIYOSUMI'S FIFTH SEAT...
IT CAN'T BE...

Round 11: Tradition

Lunch Break
WELL, THEN!
LET'S CELEBRATE OUR FIRST ROUND BREAK-THROUGH!!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GOOD JOB, EVERY-ONE!
CHEERS!

BUT REALLY, SAKI-CHAN REALLY PUSHED HER OPPONENTS HARD!

WHEN SHE ATTACKED TOUFUKUJI, SHE WAS ABLE TO ANNIHILATE THEM!!

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TH-THAT WAS JUST ..
I WAS ONLY ABLE TO BECAUSE HARAMURA-SAN HAD HIT THEIR POINTS SO HARD.
TOUFUKUJI STILL HAD 46800 POINTS REMAINING, YOU KNOW
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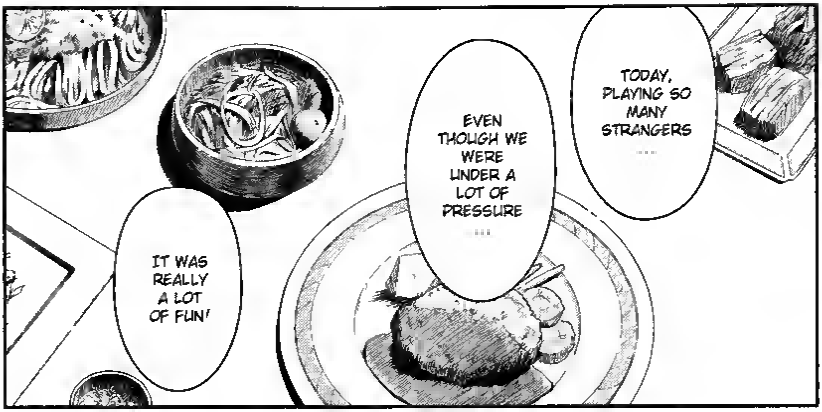
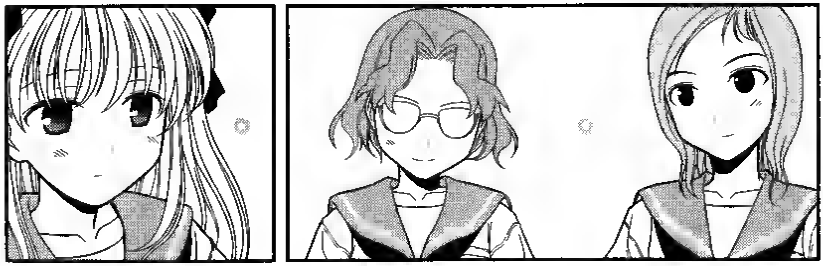

TODAY, PLAYING SO MANY STRANGERS ...
EVEN THOUGH WE WERE UNDER A LOT OF PRESSURE ...
IT WAS REALLY A LOT OF FUN!

STRONGER ...
I WANT TO PLAY AGAINST EVEN STRONGER PLAYERS!!



HEY.
CONGRATULATIONS ON ADVANCING TO THE SECOND ROUND...
FUJITA-PRO!
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HEY, ISN'T THAT FUJITA YASUKO!?
OH, IT REALLY IS.
BUT THE PEOPLE FUJITA-PRO IS ADDRESSING...
ARE FROM KIYOSUMI HIGH SCHOOL...!?
It's Ms. Katsuura.
She was the one who beat us.

YOU TWO OVER THERE...
IS IT ALL RIGHT FOR A CELEBRITY TO KILL TIME IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?
YOU ARE WAY DIFFERENT FROM THE TIME AT THE PARLOR... ALMOST AS IF YOU ARE OTHER PEOPLE ENTIRELY!
JUST WHAT KIND OF MAGIC DID YOU EMPLOY IN THE PAST TEN DAYS?
WELL, NOW ..
WOULDN'T WE BE HUMILIATED BY A CERTAIN SOMEONE IF IT DOESN'T WORK?
You'll be able to observe it during the next three days.

EVEN IF THE AFTERNOON'S SECOND ROUND IS WON, THOSE WHO ADVANCE TO THE FINALS WILL FACE RYUUMON-BUCHI AND KAZEKOSHI.
AMAE IS STRONG... AND EVEN KAZEKOSHI HAS ITS BEST ROSTER YET THIS YEAR.
YOU PROBABLY WON'T EVEN MAKE IT THROUGH THE FIRST GAME...
.....
BUT...
ARE THEY REALLY AS TOUGH AS YOU SAY!?
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THOSE TWO SCHOOLS!?
ワクワク
THIS GIRL....
.....

ALL RIGHT
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MMPH!
WE ARE NOW COMMENCING THE SECOND ROUND PLEASE SEND THE VANGUARDS ...
YEAH !!
SHALL WE GO!?
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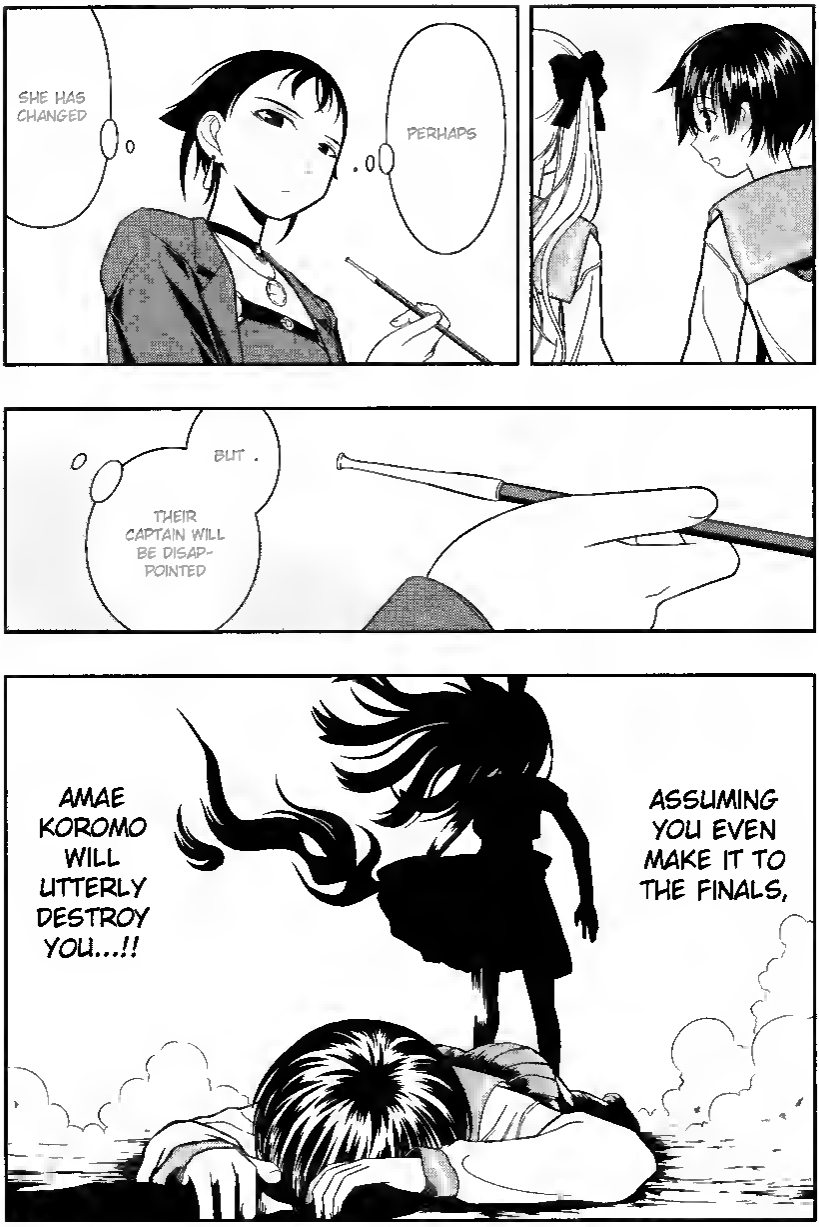
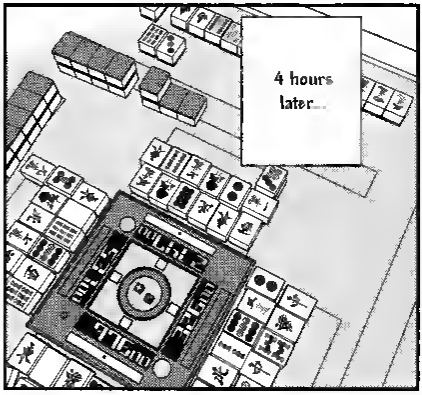
EXCUSE US.


SHE HAS CHANGED
PERHAPS
BUT .
THEIR CAPTAIN WILL BE DISAP-POINTED
AMAE KOROMO WILL UTTERLY DESTROY YOU...!!
ASSUMING YOU EVEN MAKE IT TO THE FINALS,

IN THE AFTERNOON, NO ONE IS GOING TO COME TO WATCH OUR MATCH
WOW
IT'S SO EMPTY. .
FROM THE SECOND ROUND ON, MOST OF THE PEOPLE WILL BE WITH THE TWO SEEDED SCHOOLS.
THEY'LL BE VIEWING RYUUMON-BUCHI'S AND KAZEKOSHI'S MATCHES, YOU SEE.

The prefectural preliminaries get even more exciting
Because the "seed" schools are participating

I GIVE UP ON MAHJONG ...!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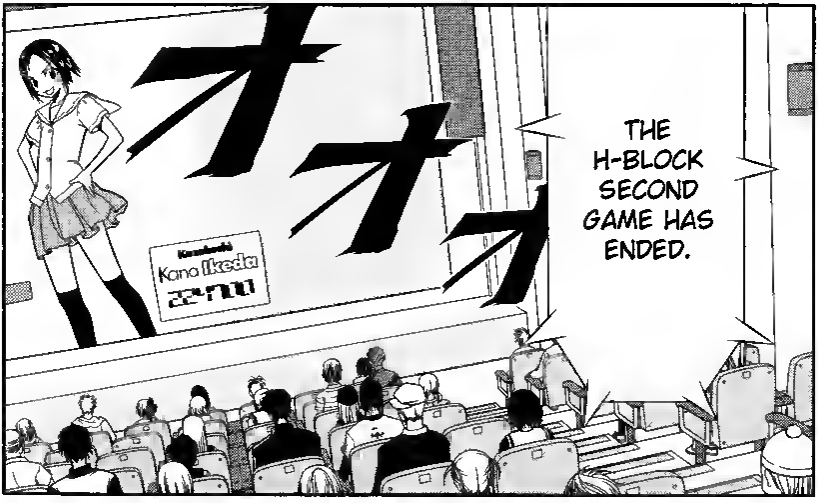
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Kazekoshi
Kana Ikeda
THE H-BLOCK SECOND GAME HAS ENDED.

GOOD GAME!!
EASY VICTORY
COMPLETE VICTORY! KAZEKOSHI GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL!!!
THE "TRADITION OF KAZEKOSHI" HAS RETURNED!!
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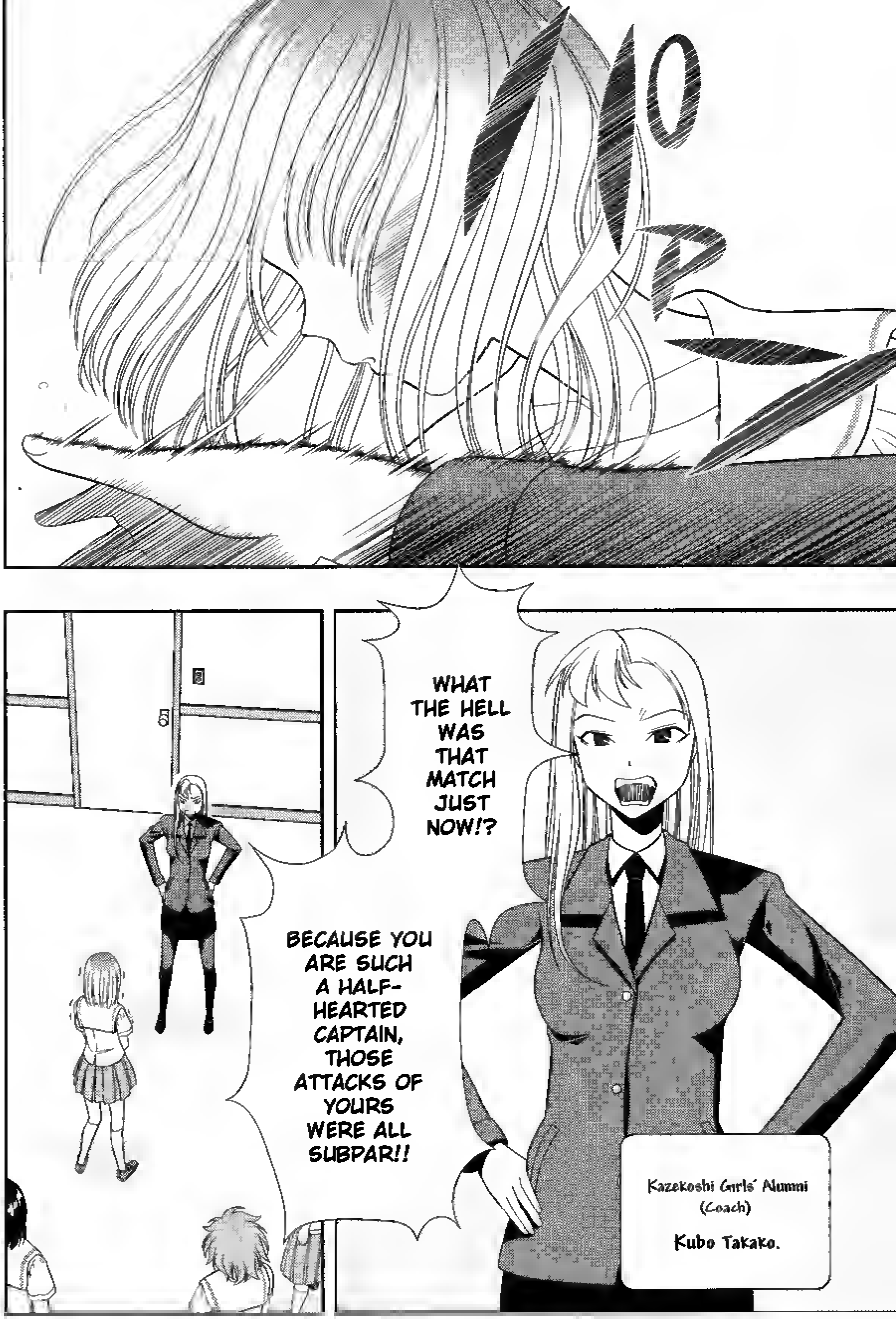
WELL DONE
THANK YOU VERY MUCH!
TABLE H
Kazekoshi Girls' High School
224700
Shiroyama Trade School
49600
Okaya First High School
53100
Kotobukidai High School
32600
Kazekoshi Girls' High School Second Year Student
Ikeda Kana.
Kazekoshi Girls' High School Third Year Student (Captain)
Fukuji Mihoko

SAY MORE! MORE!
THEY ARE UNSTOP-PABLE!!
LAST YEAR, THEY HAD A SWEEPING VICTORY OVER THE THIRD-RANKED SHIROYAMA TRADE SCHOOL!
KAZE-KOSHI IS AMAZING!!
YES!
LET'S WORK HARD LIKE THIS TOMORROW AS WELL.
IT LOOKS LIKE RYUU-MON-BUCHI IS IN BIG TROUBLE THIS YEAR!
THIS TEAM IS PROBABLY THE STRONG-EST YET!
Karatoshi Girls' High School
Waking Area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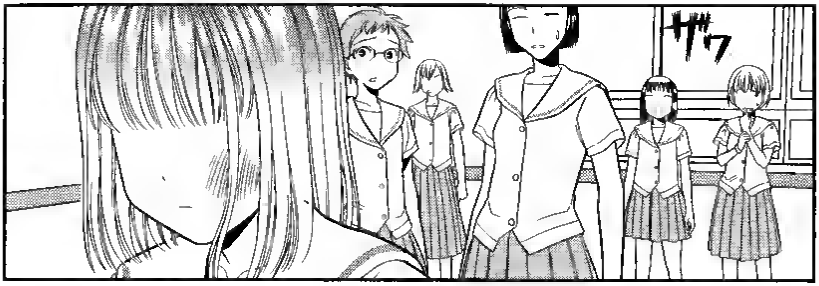
WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT MATCH JUST NOW!?
BECAUSE YOU ARE SUCH A HALF-HEARTED CAPTAIN, THOSE ATTACKS OF YOURS WERE ALL SUBPAR!!
Kazekoshi Girls' Alumni (Coach)
Kubo Takako.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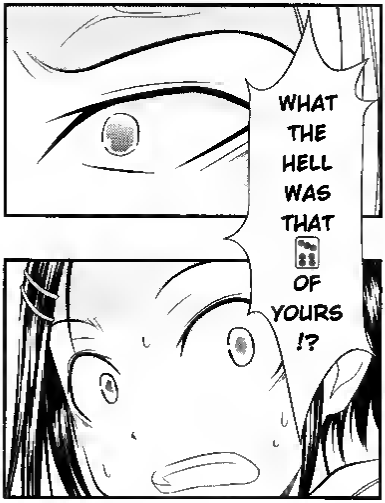
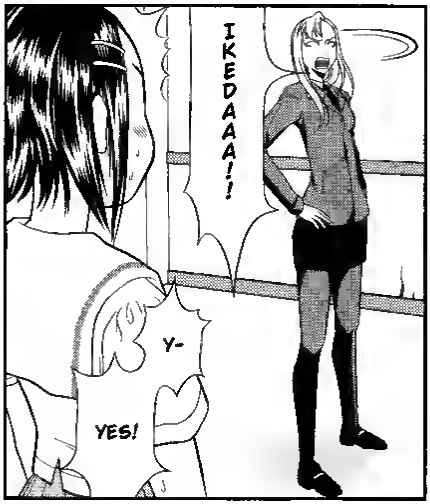

WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT [redacted] OF YOURS!?


IKEDAAA!!
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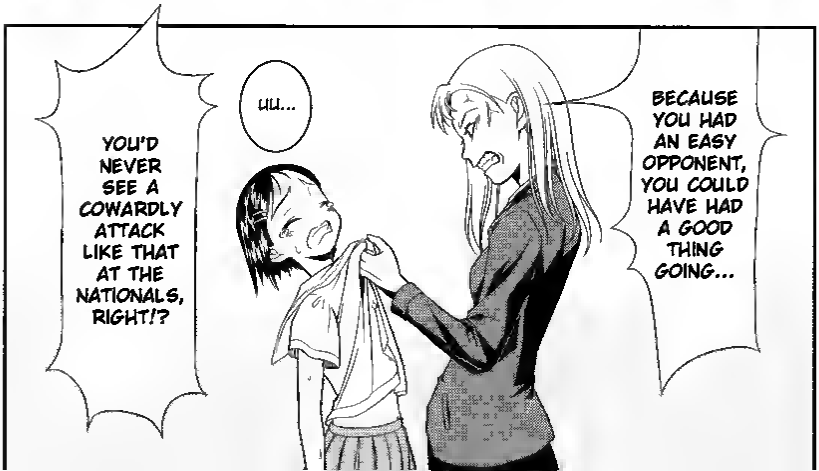
YES!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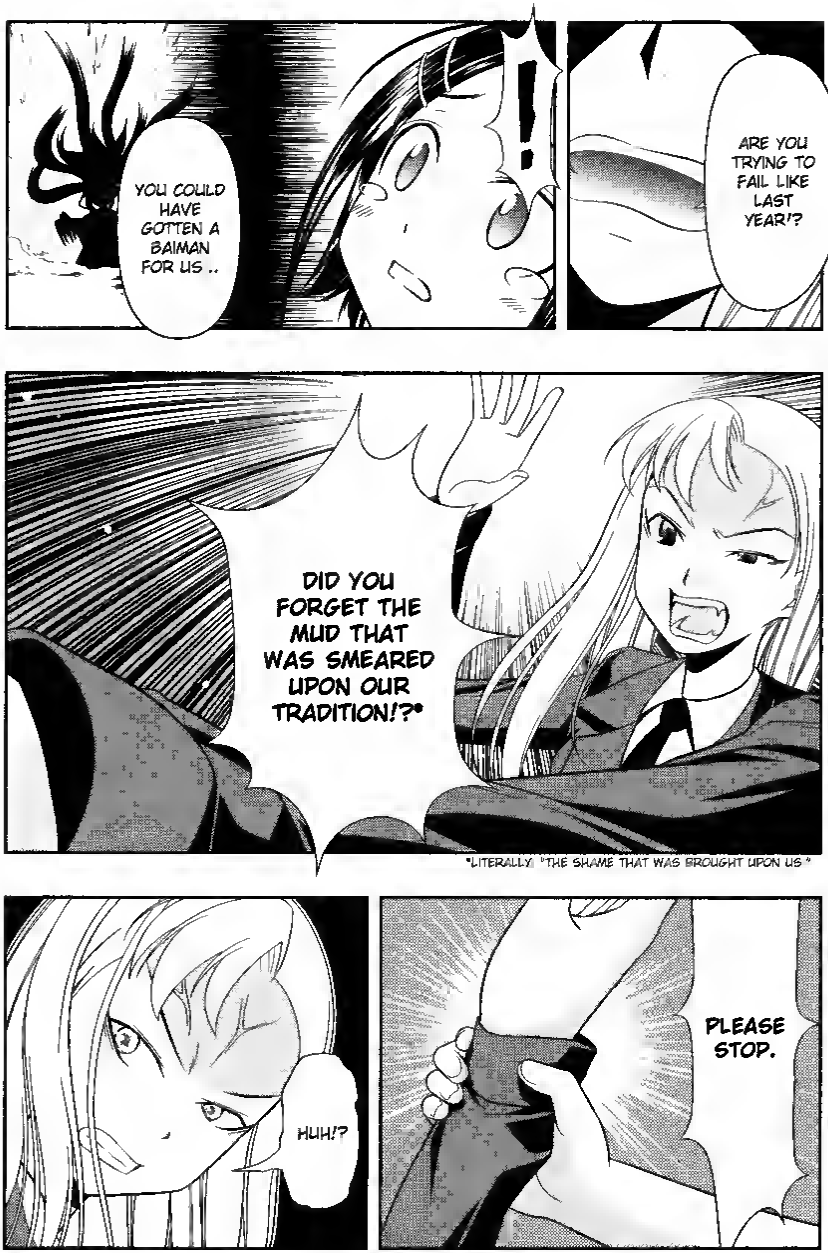
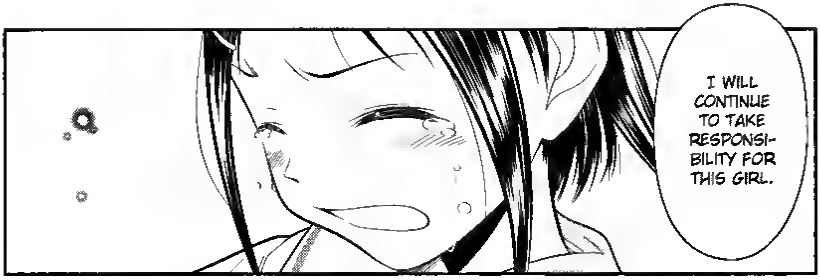
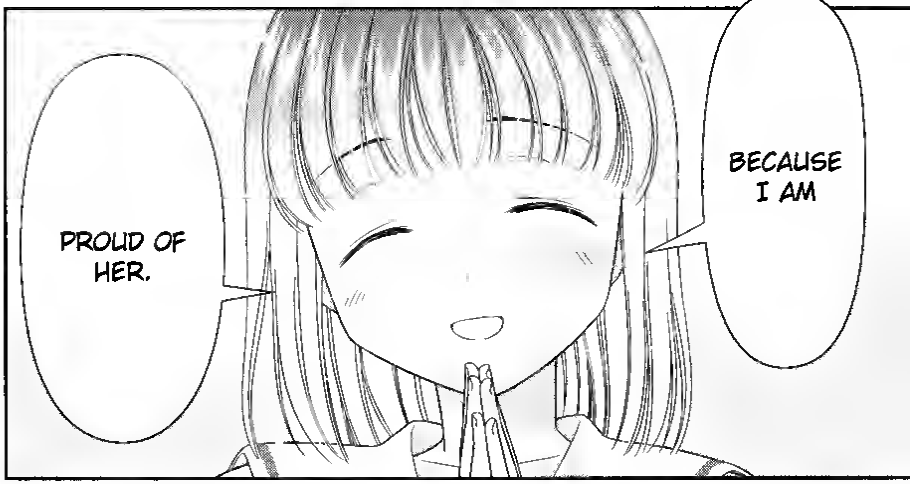
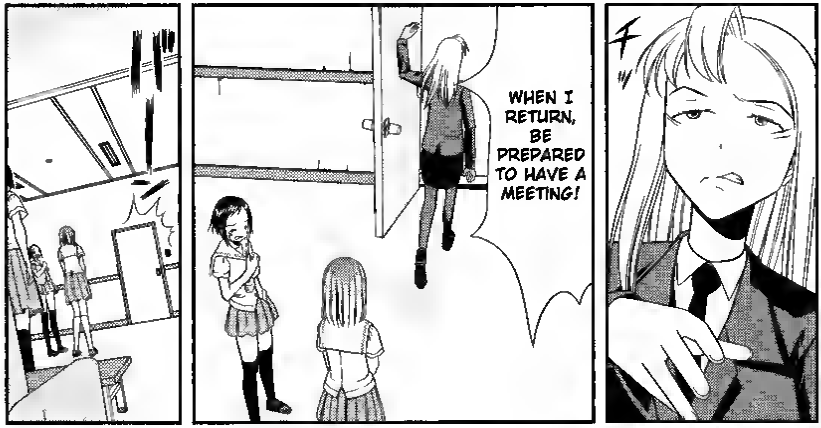
YOU'D NEVER SEE A COWARDLY ATTACK LIKE THAT AT THE NATIONALS, RIGHT!?
BECAUSE YOU HAD AN EASY OPPONENT, YOU COULD HAVE HAD A GOOD THING GOING...


YOU COULD HAVE GOTTEN A BAIMAN FOR US ..
!
ARE YOU TRYING TO FAIL LIKE LAST YEAR!?
DID YOU FORGET THE MUD THAT WAS SMEARED UPON OUR TRADITION!?*
*LITERALLY, "THE SHAME THAT WAS BROUGHT UPON US."
HUH!?
PLEASE STOP.

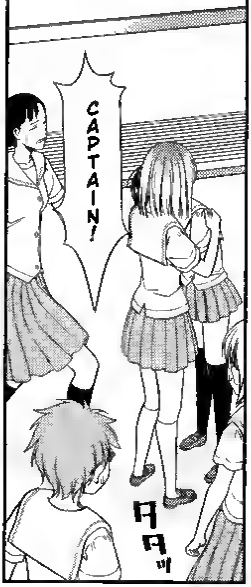
THAT GIRL'S MISTAKE IS MY RESPONSI-BILITY.
SO IF YOU'RE GOING TO HIT ANYONE, PLEASE HIT ME.
IKEDA IS RANKED SECOND WITHIN OUR SCHOOL.
EVEN IN OUR PRACTICE MATCHES WITH YOU, SHE WAS ABLE TO MAKE TOP RANK 31% OF THE TIME.
CAPTAIN
REGARDING HER ATTACK A WHILE BACK, IF YOU TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE POINT SPREAD, I THINK SHE DID HER VERY BEST.
FUR-THER-MORE,
WE ARE STILL BEING HAUNTED BY THE SPECTER OF LAST YEAR'S AMAE KOROMO.
I AM STILL PAYING FOR THAT DISASTER.


I WILL CONTINUE TO TAKE RESPONSI-BILITY FOR THIS GIRL.


BECAUSE I AM
PROUD OF HER.


WHEN I RETURN, BE PREPARED TO HAVE A MEETING!

THE OTHER THREE SCHOOLS ...?
EH...?
HAVE THE OTHER THREE SCHOOLS BEEN DECIDED?


CAPTAIN!
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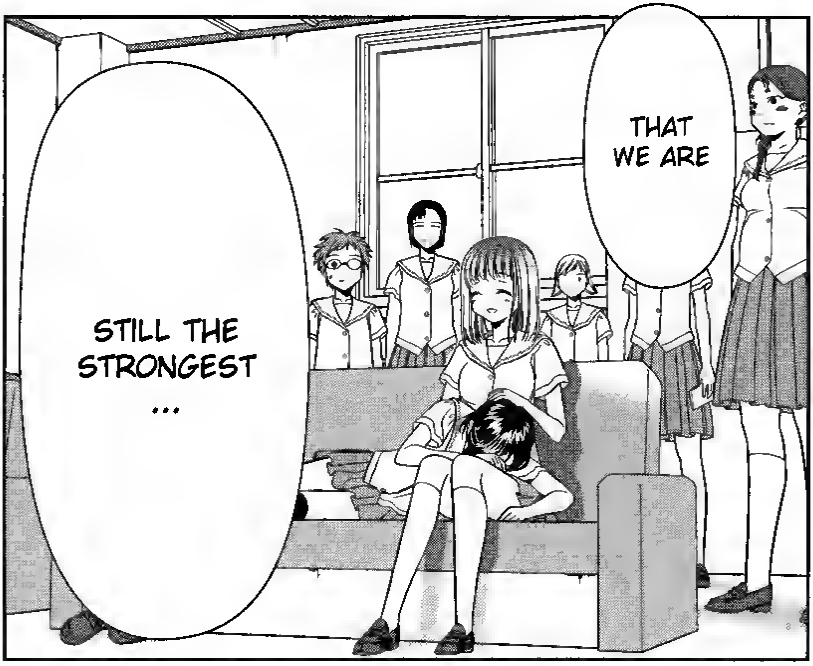
IT SEEMS THAT THE OTHERS WHO HAVE ARRIVED AT THE FINALS ARE TSURUGA ACADEMY AND... KIYOSUMI HIGH SCHOOL.
RYUUMONBUCHI HAS JUST BEATEN WEST SHINONOI IN THE VICE-CAPTAIN BATTLE.
AH... YES..

.....
...YOU'RE GLAD ...?

SO RYUU-MONBUCHI HAS WON, EH...?
I'M GLAD...

IF RYUUMON-BUCHI DIDN'T ADVANCE,
WE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO HAVE OUR REVENGE ON THEM PERSONALLY, RIGHT?
TO OUR COACH, TO RYUU-MON-BUCHI
LET'S SHOW THEM ALL.


THAT WE ARE
STILL THE STRONGEST
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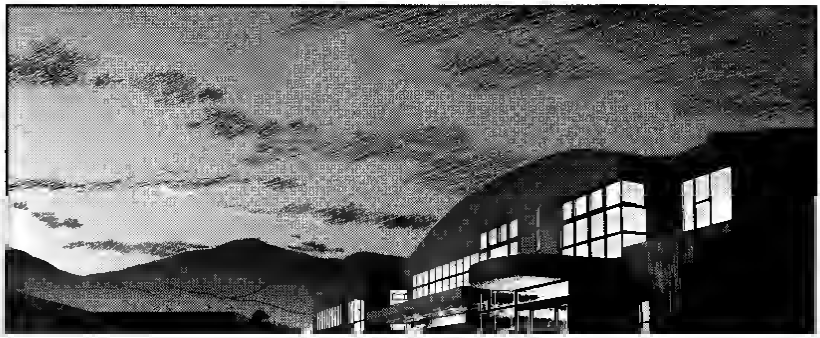
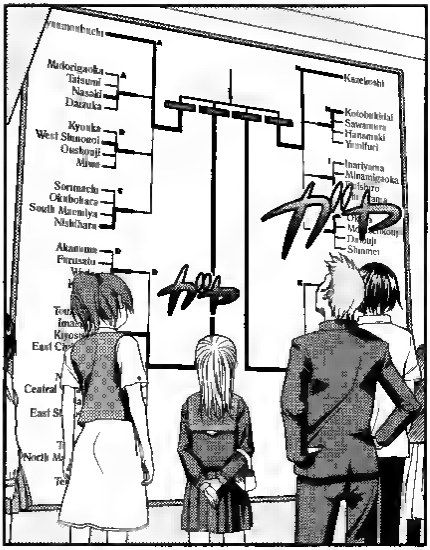
Round 12: The Strongest Four

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Midorigaoka
Tatsumi
Nanaki
Daizuka
Kyouka
West Shuseoul
Oushogji
Miwa
Sonmachi
Oitobokara
South Maemiya
Nishihara
Akamumo
Furusato
Kaneiwaki
Kotobukidai
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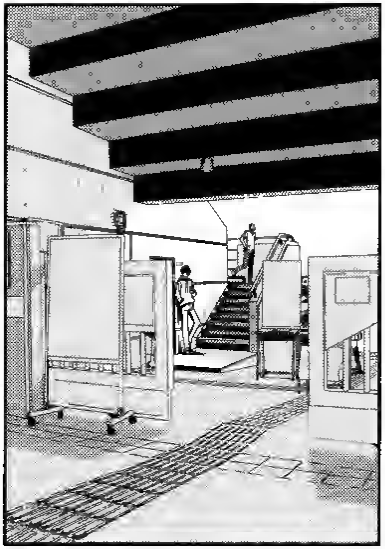
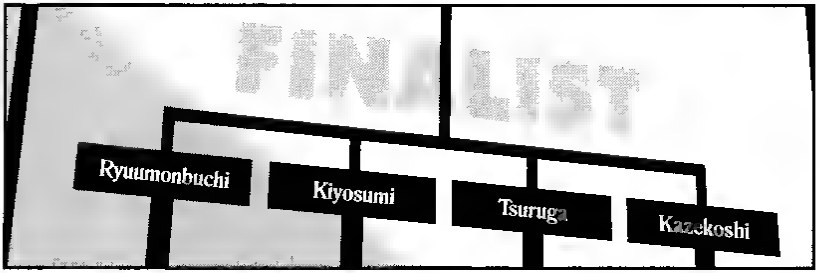
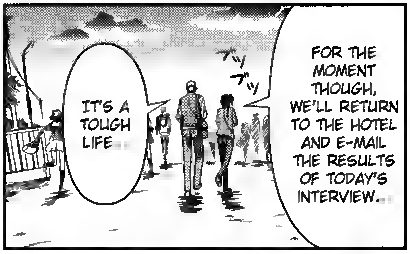
Yoshiharu
Inariyama
Mitsumineoka
Ushiro
Tsuruga
Kazekoshi
Shinmei




FINALIST
Ryuumonbuchi
Kiyosumi
Tsuruga
Kazekoshi

キラン
TOMORROW, LET'S ATTENTIVELY COVER THIS EVENT!

KIYOSUMI WAS HONESTLY KIND OF SURPRISING, HUH?
WELL, IT'S ALL THANKS TO HARAMURA NODOKA'S "ONE MAN TEAM."


IT'S A TOUGH LIFE...
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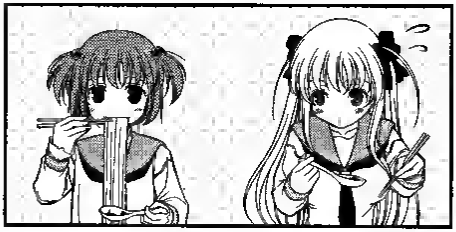
FOR THE MOMENT THOUGH, WE'LL RETURN TO THE HOTEL AND E-MAIL THE RESULTS OF TODAY'S INTERVIEW.

HERE, YOUR CHAASHU RAMEN!

ラーメン
IT'S MY TREAT, SO IN PREPARATION FOR THE FINALS, EAT UP, OKAY?
THANK YOU FOR THE MEAL.
IT LOOKS DELI-CIOUS!

NODO-CHAN, IS THIS YOUR FIRST TIME EATING RAMEN?
I.. I KNOW ABOUT RAMEN



MISTER, SECONDS PLEASE!
IT'S DELI-CIOUS
AROUND TONIGHT, EVEN I WILL BE HUGGING MY KNEES AND SHIVERING IN THE CORNER OF MY ROOM
FOR NOW.
EVERYONE ISN'T AS NERVOUS AS YOU THOUGHT THEY'D BE...
MISTER! MAKE SOME TACO RAMEN!
WE DON'T HAVE ANY TACOS...
MY,
AREN'T YOU BEING DELICATE?
I CAN'T TELL BY YOUR SMILE IF YOU'RE BEING SERIOUS OR NOT.
THAT'S

TOMORROW IS THE FINALS
IF WE WIN, IT'S THE NATIONALS

BUT IF WE LOSE
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I'M SO TIRED!
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YUP.
GOOD NIGHT, FATHER.
EVEN THOUGH I'M TIRED
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.....
IT WAS A LOT OF FUN

And so...

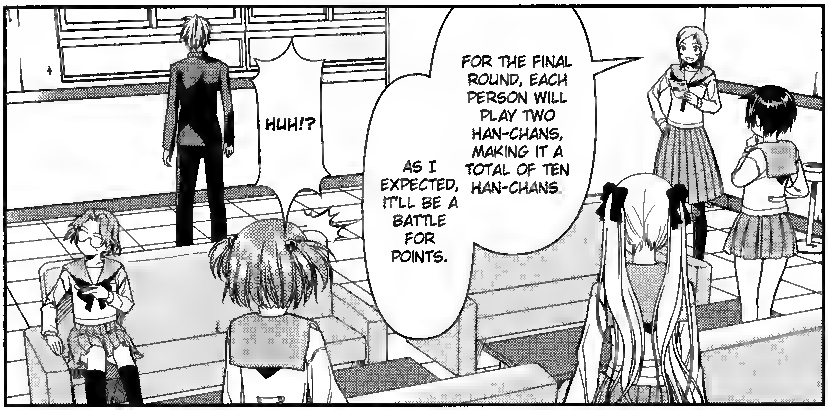
MORNING!
GOOD MORNING TO YOU.

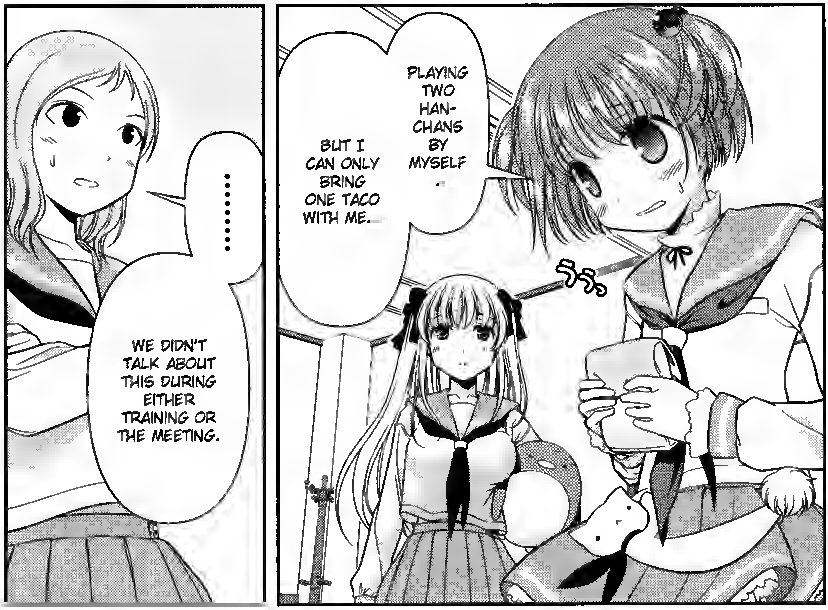
On the day of the Tournament Finals

WELL,
IT HAS FINALLY BEGUN: THE FINAL ROUND OF THE PREFECTURAL PRELIMINARIES!!

Ryuumonbuchi High School
JUST WHAT KIND OF BATTLE WILL WE BE SHOWN THIS YEAR...!!
Kazekoshi Girls' High School
Tsuruga Academy
DESPITE ALL THE SMILES AND TEARS, ONLY ONE OF THESE SCHOOLS WILL BE ABLE TO MOVE ON TO THE NATIONALS!
Kiyosumi High School

Kiyosumi High School
Waiting Room


HUH!?
AS I EXPECTED, IT'LL BE A BATTLE FOR POINTS.
FOR THE FINAL ROUND, EACH PERSON WILL PLAY TWO HAN-CHANS, MAKING IT A TOTAL OF TEN HAN-CHANS.


PLAYING TWO HAN-CHANS BY MYSELF...
BUT I CAN ONLY BRING ONE TACO WITH ME...
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WE DIDN'T TALK ABOUT THIS DURING EITHER TRAINING OR THE MEETING.

WOULD ANYTHING BE OPEN THIS EARLY IN THE MORNING ...?
HUH?
KYOTARO! GO BUY SOME TACOS NOW!
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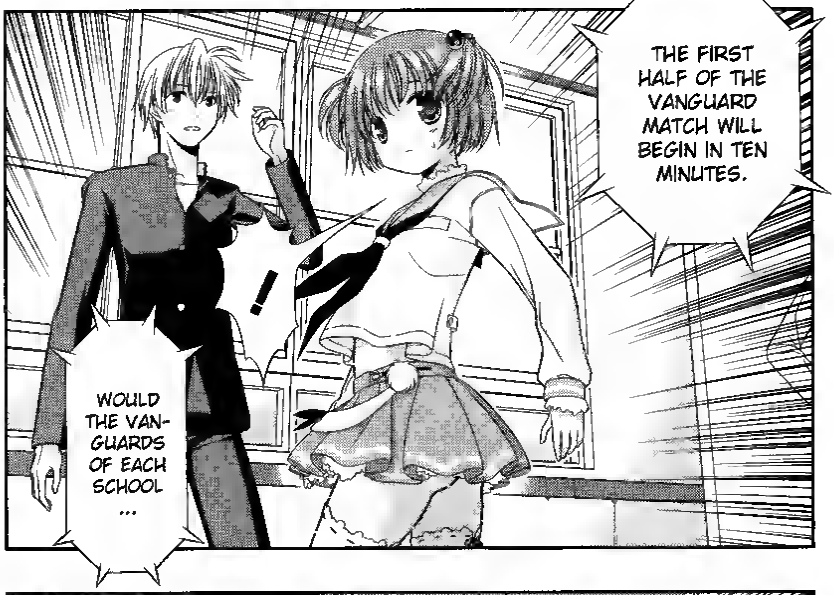
WOULD THE VAN-GUARDS OF EACH SCHOOL ...
!
THE FIRST HALF OF THE VANGUARD MATCH WILL BEGIN IN TEN MINUTES.

AT ANY RATE, I'M COUNTING ON YOU!
A-

I'LL BE BACK!!
THE CHEERFUL NEW RECRUIT ON THE FRONT LINE, FIRST YEAR STUDENT OF KIYOSUMI HIGH SCHOOL, KATAOKA YUKI!
CAPTAIN!
PLEASE DO YOUR BEST!!
WILL SHE TAKE BACK HER THRONE!? THIRD YEAR STUDENT OF KAZEKOSHI GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL, FUKUJI MIHOKO!
A NAMELESS SCHOOL IN THE FIGHT OF THEIR LIVES, SECOND YEAR STUDENT OF TSURUGA ACADEMY, TSUYAMA MUTSUKI!
G... GOOD LUCK...
YEAH.
I'LL GIVE IT ALL I HAVE

All right.
I'M OFF TO PLAY FOR A BIT.
WILL SHE SHOW US THAT POWER ONE MORE TIME...? SECOND YEAR STUDENT OF RYUUMONBUCHI HIGH SCHOOL, INOUE JUN!
Game Room A
THE FINALS' VANGUARD BATTLE...!! IT WILL BEGIN SHORTLY!!
CAN I BRING IN THE TACO I PACKED?
IT'S FINE, AS LONG AS YOU FINISH EATING BEFORE THE GAME BEGINS

ARE YOU A FAN OF MINE? IS THAT A SNACK FOR ME?
A middle schooler?

I DON'T FEEL AT EASE WITH ONLY ONE TACO...
OH.
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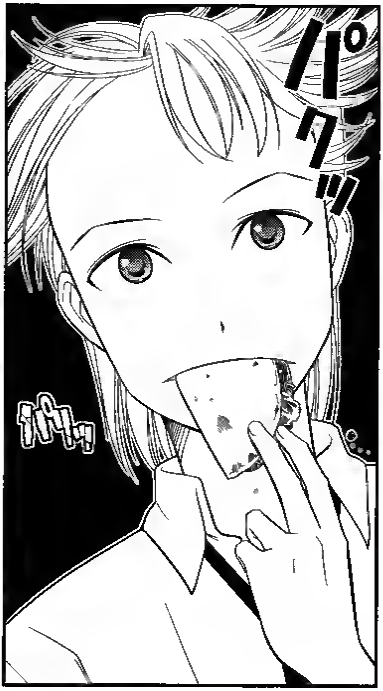
HUH?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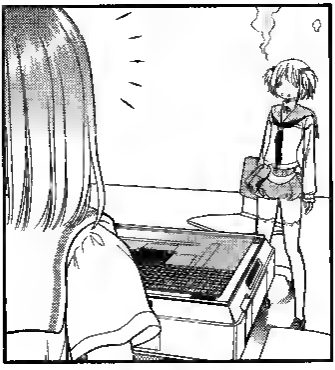
There, there.
WHAT'S WRONG? DID THE SCARY ONEE-CHAN BULLY YOU?

WHOA...
Sigh



I WONDER IF SHE'S A LITTLE HUNGRY?
OH, I KNOW!

SORRY...
I DIDN'T MEAN ANYTHING BAD BY IT.

Beanpole!?
THAT BEANPOLE STOLE MY TACO..
Sigh

HERE!
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WHAT'S THIS?
IT'S A BENTOU THAT I MADE!
I CAN'T JUST LEAVE YOU LIKE THIS.
IT'S USELESS IF THIS ISN'T A TACO
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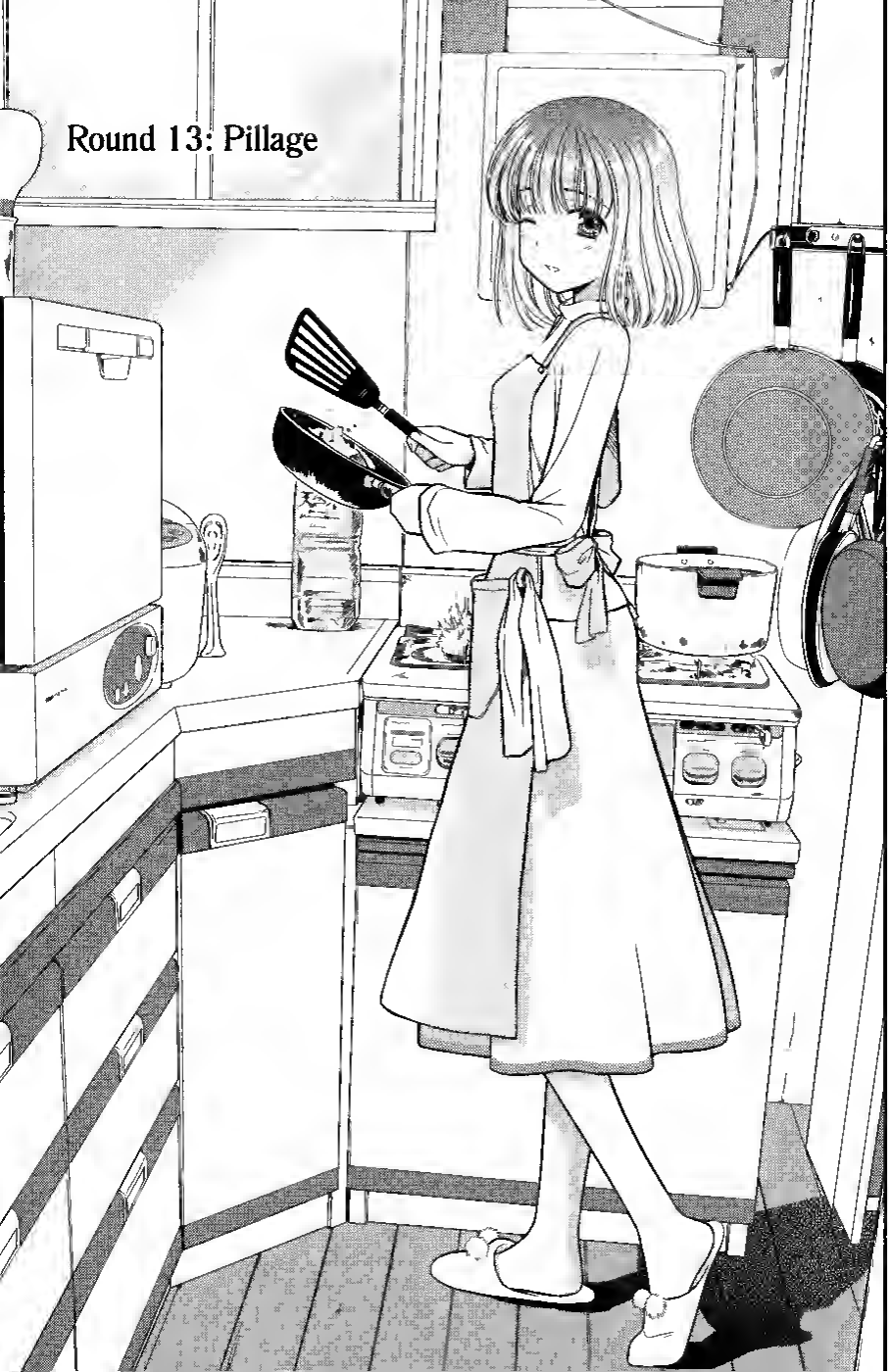
THIS IS...!!

Round 13: Pillage



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THE FINALS' VANGUARD BATTLE ...!!
BEGINS NOW!!
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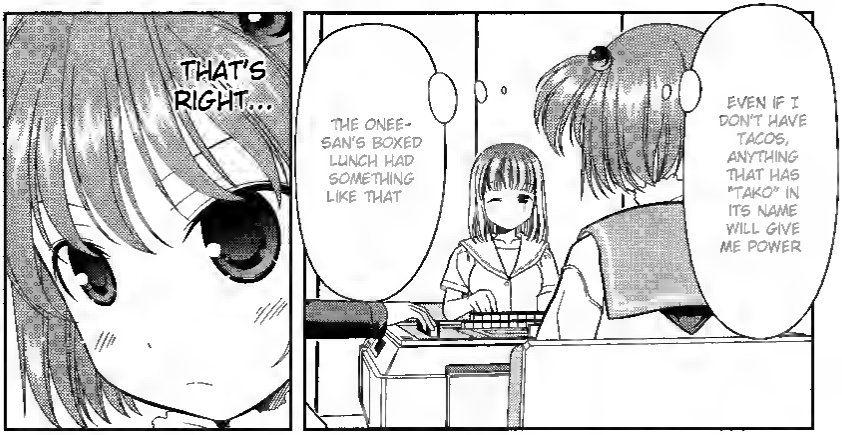
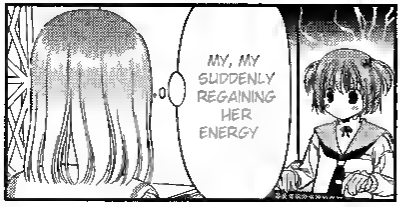
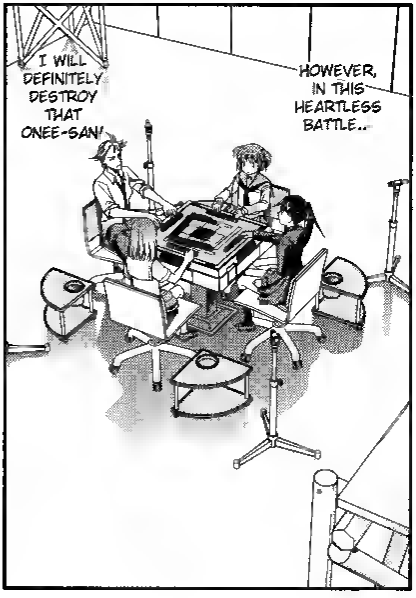

THAT'S RIGHT...
THE ONEE-SAN'S BOXED LUNCH HAD SOMETHING LIKE THAT
EVEN IF I DON'T HAVE TACOS, ANYTHING THAT HAS "TAKO" IN ITS NAME WILL GIVE ME POWER

*TAKO IS JAPANESE FOR "SQUID."





LAST YEAR, WE WERE UTTERLY CRUSHED BY THESE CHILDREN
THEY EVEN TOOK THE VICE-CAPTAIN BATTLE VICTORY FROM ME
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Kazekoshi Girls' High School Waiting Room
CAPTAIN...
BUT, THIS YEAR WE WILL SHOW THEM SOMETHING A LITTLE DIFFERENT.

THE CAPTAIN IS JUST THE KIND OF PERSON WHO IS EVEN KIND TO FIRST YEARS
WHY DID SHE GIVE THAT GIRL HER BOXED LUNCH...?
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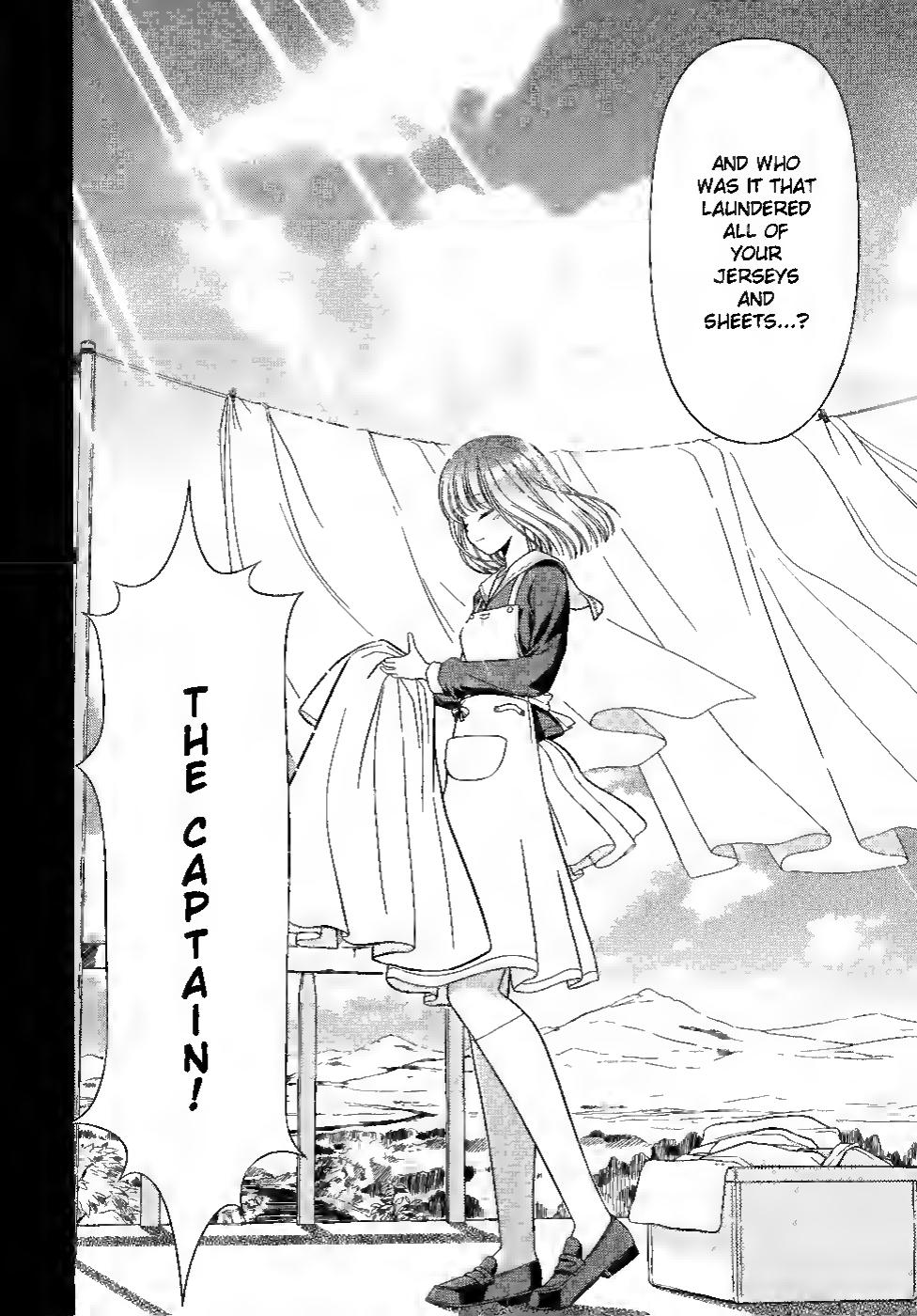
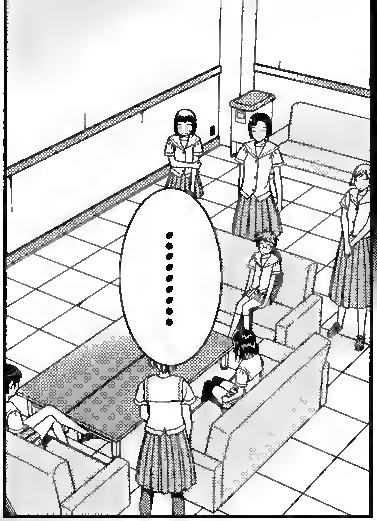
BUT...
UP UNTIL LAST YEAR, KAZEKOSHI'S MAHJONG CLUB GAVE OUT THE CHORES TO THE LOWEST RANKING FRESHMEN...
SHE'S JUST FAR TOO KIND-HEARTED...
THE CAPTAIN.
AND WHO WAS IT THAT WOULD GO OUT TO BUY INGREDIENTS FOR MEALS DURING THE TRAINING CAMP?
THE... THE CAPTAIN...
DO YOU REMEMBER WHO IT WAS THAT WAS ALWAYS CLEANING THE CLUB ROOM?


AND WHO WAS IT THAT LAUNDERED ALL OF YOUR JERSEYS AND SHEETS...?
THE CAPTAIN!

I...
UNABLE TO STAND IT ANYMORE, I ONCE TALKED TO THE CAPTAIN ABOUT IT.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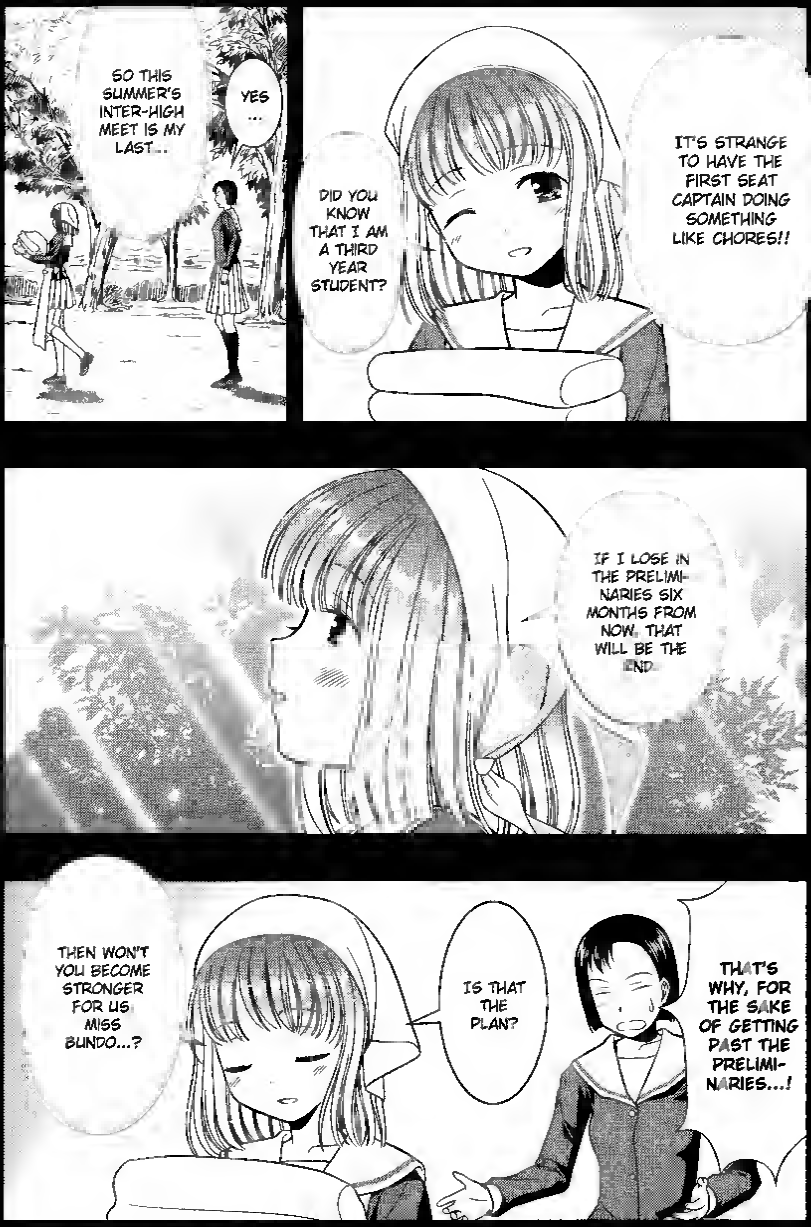
SINCE THE CAPTAIN MIGHT NOT KNOW WHO I AM, IN THE SCHOOL I'M RANK--
78.

CAPTAIN! IF IT'S THE CHORES, PLEASE LEAVE THEM TO ME!
OH?

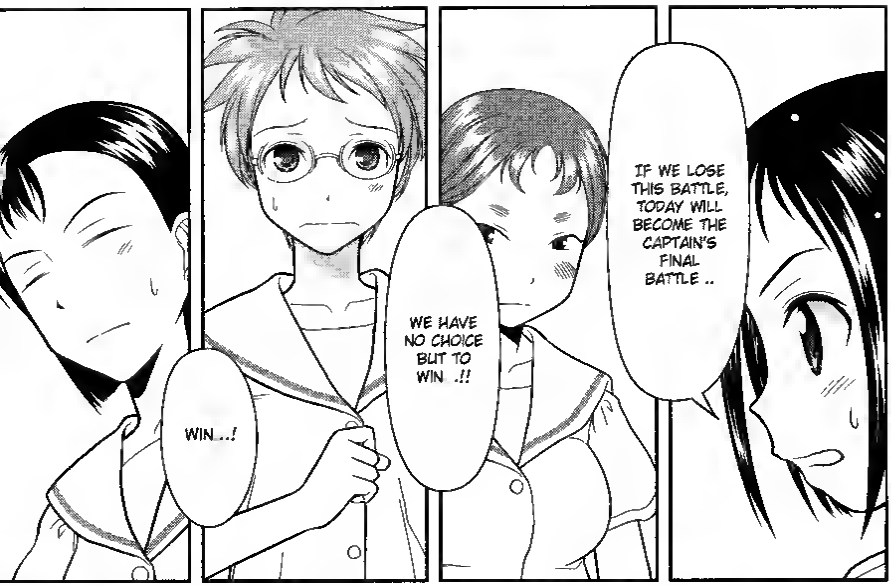
...ALL THE MORE REASON IF YOU KNOW WHO I AM!

THE TOITOI SANANKOU YOU MANAGED LAST WEEK WAS SUPERB.
78TH SEAT. FIRST YEAR STUDENT MISS BUNDO. RIGHT?
YES...
TOITOI: WHEN YOU WIN WITH A HAND FORMATION OF FOUR "ONE OF A KIND" AND A PAIR, WORTH TWO YAKU.
SANANKOU: WHEN YOU WIN WITH A HAND FORMATION OF THREE UNREVEALED PONS, WORTH TWO YAKU.

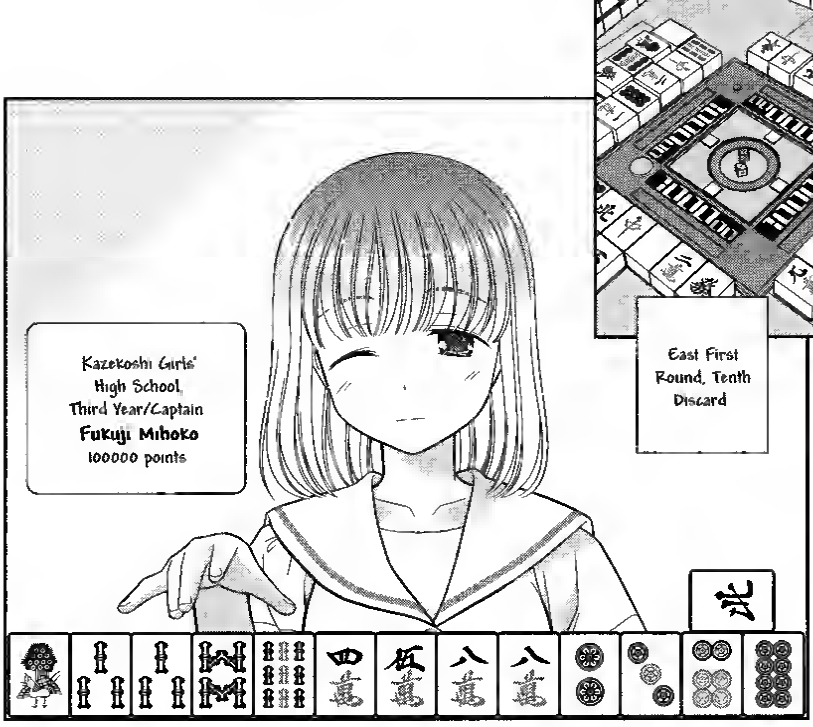

SO THIS SUMMER'S INTER-HIGH MEET IS MY LAST...
YES ...
DID YOU KNOW THAT I AM A THIRD YEAR STUDENT?
IT'S STRANGE TO HAVE THE FIRST SEAT CAPTAIN DOING SOMETHING LIKE CHORES!!
IF I LOSE IN THE PRELIMI-NARIES SIX MONTHS FROM NOW, THAT WILL BE THE END.
THEN WON'T YOU BECOME STRONGER FOR US MISS BUNDO...?
IS THAT THE PLAN?
THAT'S WHY, FOR THE SAKE OF GETTING PAST THE PRELIMI-NARIES...!

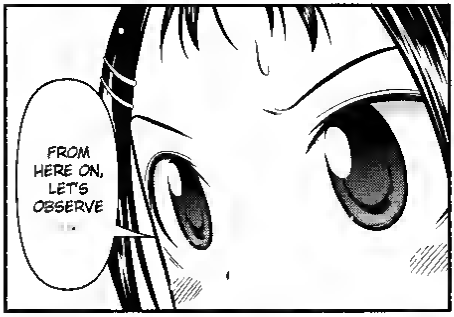
SOMEDAY ..
THE TIME WHEN YOU CAN LEAD KAZEKOSHI WILL COME.
EVEN THOUGH I'M THE 78TH SEAT.. ?
OF COURSE.
FOR THAT, YOU SEE,
I WANT EVERYONE TO EXPERIENCE AND FEEL THE TILES
!!
I WANT YOU TO ENJOY MAHJONG MORE AND MORE!

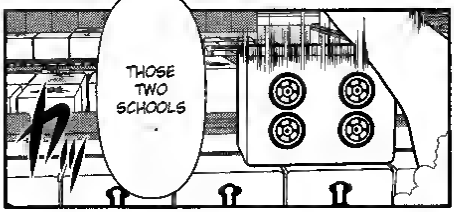
SHE EVEN PROTECTS US FROM THE COACH WHEN WE MAKE MISTAKES ..
The Captain doesn't make any mistakes.
.....
THAT'S JUST LIKE HER.
SHE CUTS DOWN ON HER OWN PLAYING TIME SO THAT SHE MIGHT GIVE IT TO US ..
A PERSON WHO LOVES MAHJONG THAT MUCH...!!
ALL OF THIS
BECAUSE WE ARE SUCH WORTHLESS PEOPLE!

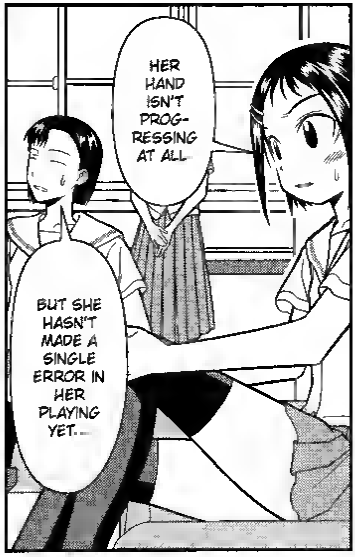

IF WE LOSE THIS BATTLE, TODAY WILL BECOME THE CAPTAIN'S FINAL BATTLE ..
WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO WIN .!!
WIN..!

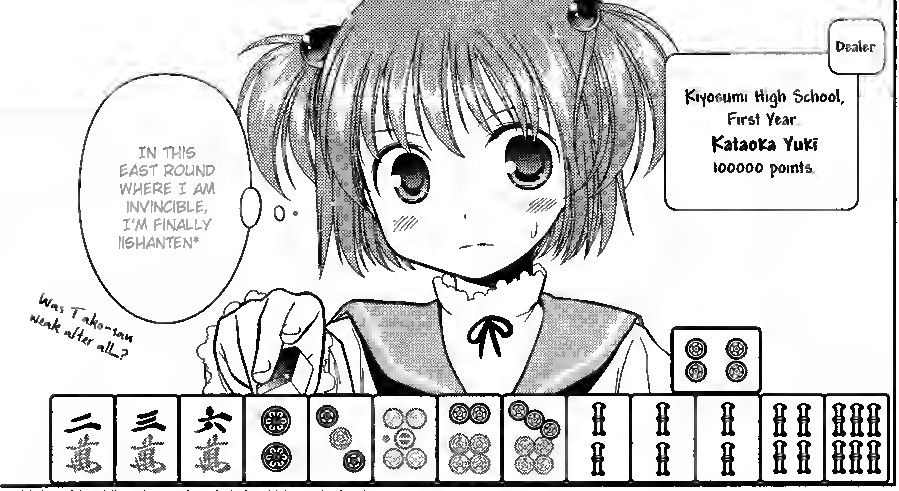
SO THE CAPTAIN CAN ENJOY THE INTER-HIGH TOURNAMENT!!


Kazekoshi Girls' High School, Third Year/Captain
Fukuji Mihoko
100000 points
East First Round, Tenth Discard

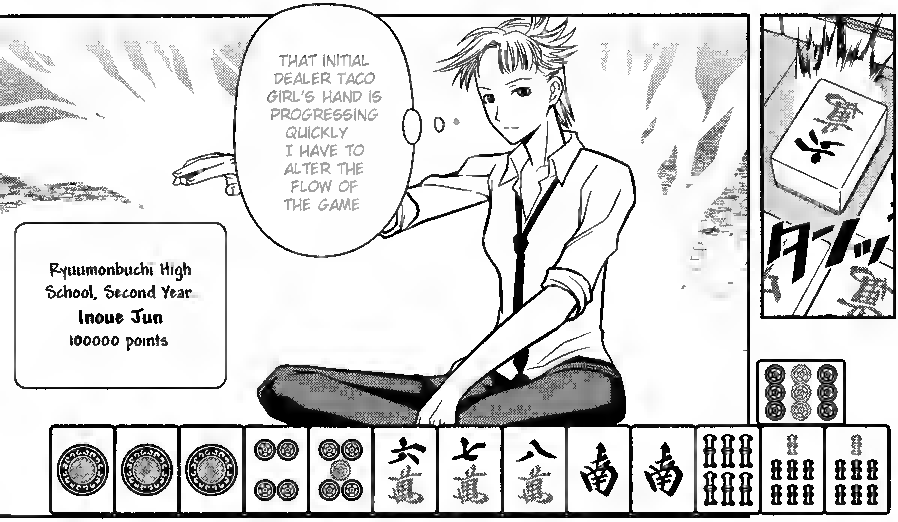

FROM HERE ON, LET'S OBSERVE.


THOSE TWO SCHOOLS.


HER HAND ISN'T PROG-RESSING AT ALL.
BUT SHE HASN'T MADE A SINGLE ERROR IN HER PLAYING YET.


Dealer
Kiyosumi High School, First Year
Kataoka Yuki
100000 points
IN THIS EAST ROUND WHERE I AM INVINCIBLE, I'M FINALLY !!SHANTEN*
Was Tako-tan weak after all...?

*A STATE IN WHICH YOU ARE ONE TILE AWAY FROM TENPAI


THAT INITIAL DEALER TACO GIRL'S HAND IS PROGRESSING QUICKLY I HAVE TO ALTER THE FLOW OF THE GAME
Ryuumonbuchi High School, Second Year
Inoue Jun
100000 points
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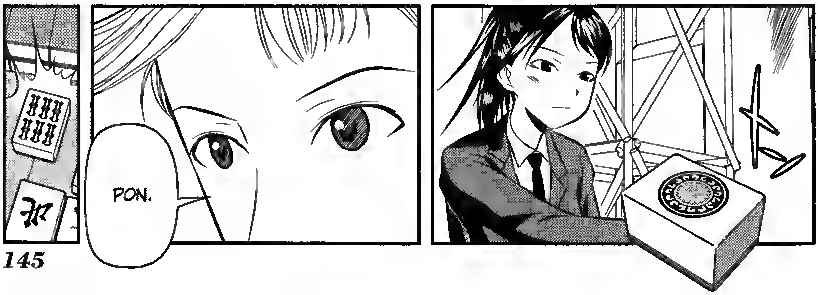

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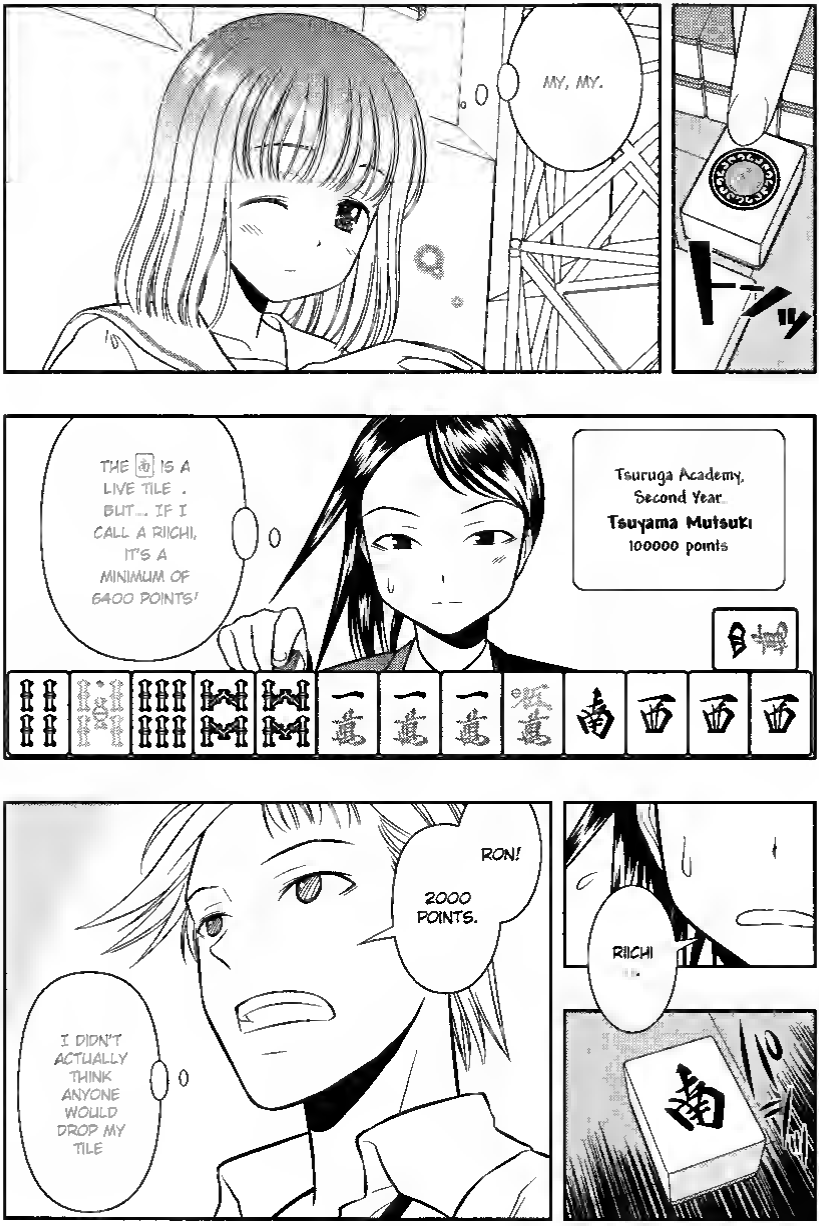
WHY IS SHE CALLING FOR THAT ◉ !?
"THE FLOW"... SHE'S PROBABLY TRYING TO CHANGE IT.
HOW RECKLESS
パミッ
MY TSUMO
ターン
IF SHE HADN'T CALLED THAT PON*, YUKI-CHAN WOULD'VE BEEN IN TENPAI..
IT'S CHANCE. IT'S ALL BY CHANCE.
CHI.

*IF YOU CALL A TILE THE TURN SEQUENCE IS CHANGED


MY, MY.
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THE 赤 IS A LIVE TILE. BUT... IF I CALL A RIICHI, IT'S A MINIMUM OF 6400 POINTS!
Tsuruga Academy, Second Year
Tsuyama Mutsuki
100000 points
RON!
2000 POINTS.
I DIDN'T ACTUALLY THINK ANYONE WOULD DROP MY TILE
RIICHI
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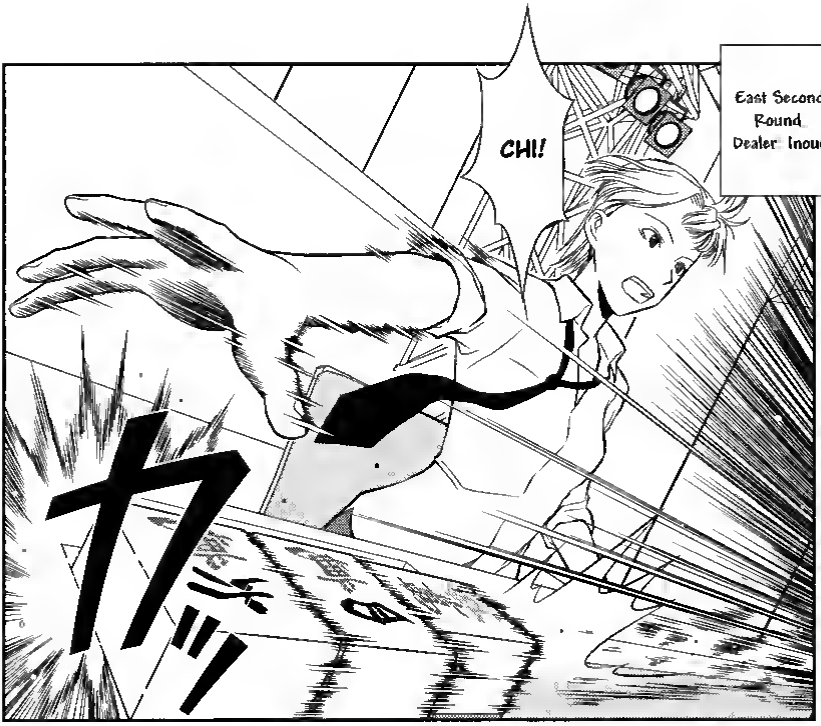
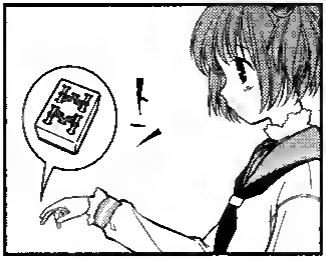

East Second Round Dealer: Inoue
CHI!
カバッ

5800 POINTS.



RON.

HUH?
JUST NOW THE SOUTH SEAT.
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HMM
EVER SINCE THAT ● CALL EARLIER, THE FLOW OF THE GAME HAS BEEN IN RYUUMON-BUCHI'S FAVOR
East Second Round One consecutive win
TSUMO!
2700 ALL!!
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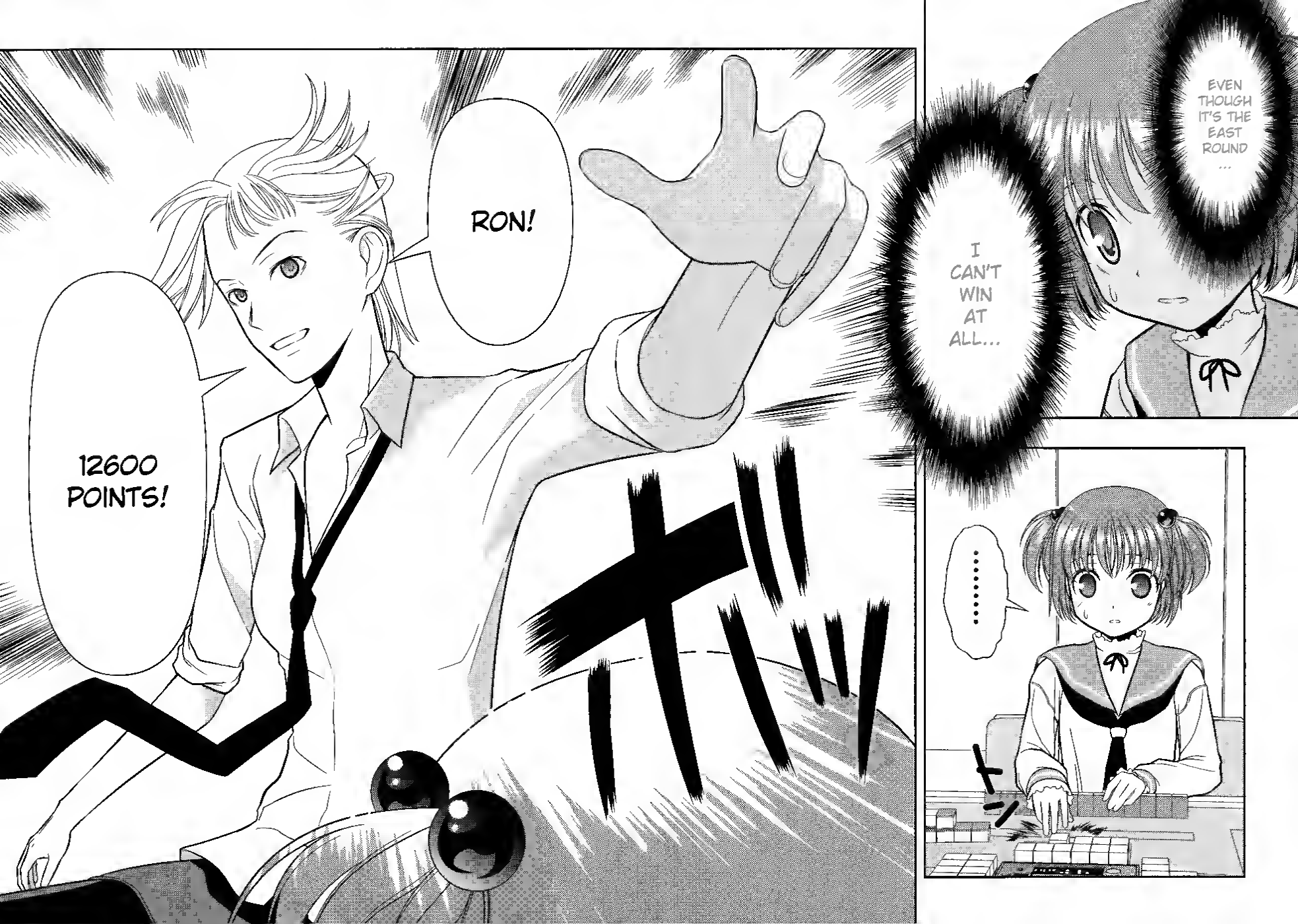
RON!
12600 POINTS!
EVEN THOUGH IT'S THE EAST ROUND ...
I CAN'T WIN AT ALL...
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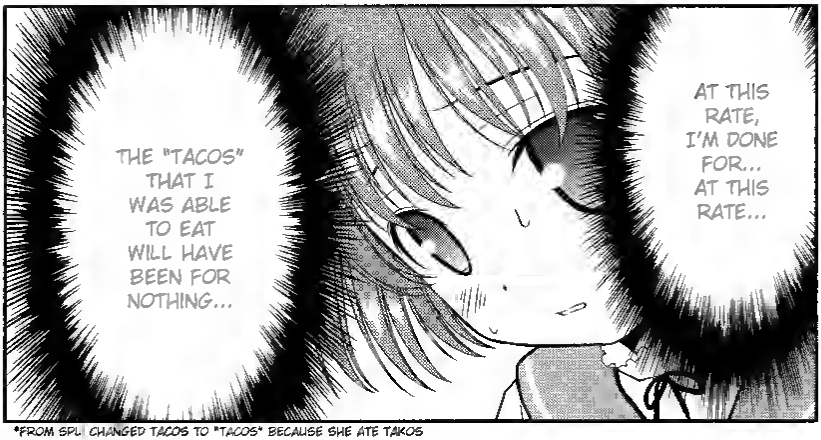

*FROM SPU CHANGED TACOS TO "TACOS" BECAUSE SHE ATE TAKOS

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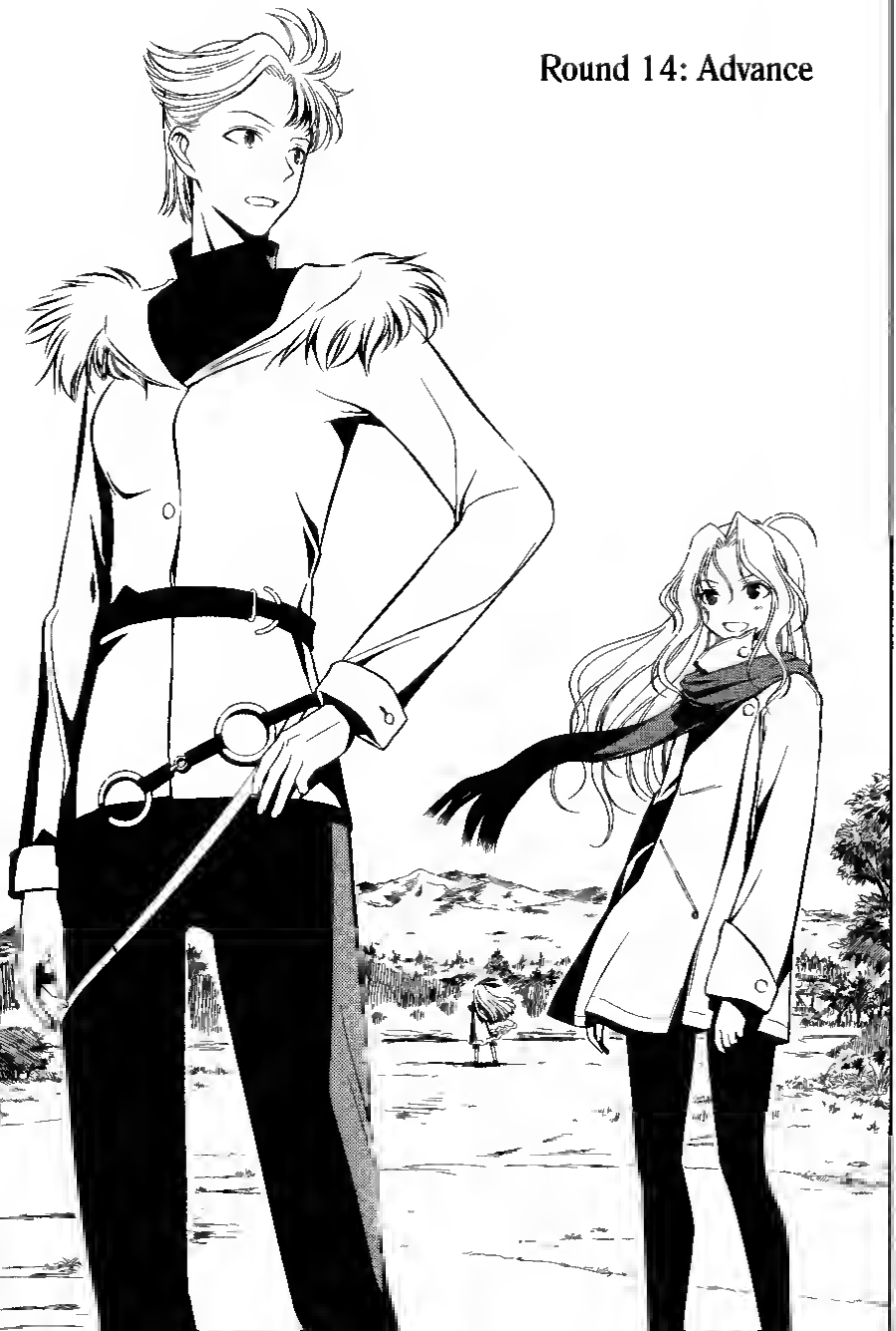

Kazekoshi Girls' High School, Third Year
Fukuji Mihoko
114800 points
(+14800)
Ryuumonbuchi High School, Second Year
Inoue Jun
130400 points
(+30400)
Tsuruga Academy, Second Year
Tsuyama Mutsuki
86900 points
(-13100)
Kiyosumi High School, First Year
Kataoka Yuki
67900 points
(-32100)
THE FIRST OF THE VANGUARD HAN-CHANS HAS FINIIIIIIISHED !!
AFTER A FIVE MINUTE INTER-MISSION... WITH THE SAME ARRANGEMENT AS BEFORE, THE SECOND HAN-CHAN WILL COMMENCE!
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING SO GLUM FOR?
I WASN'T ABLE TO WIN EVEN ONCE...
.....
I'M NOT SATISFIED

OOH!
SORRY I'M LATE.
HUH?
TH... THOSE ARE...
TACOS
TACOS ...!!

YOU'RE SUCH A USEFUL LITTLE DOG!
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DOG...?
GOOD BOY, KYOTARO!
WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE I REALLY HATE TACOS OR ANYTHING.
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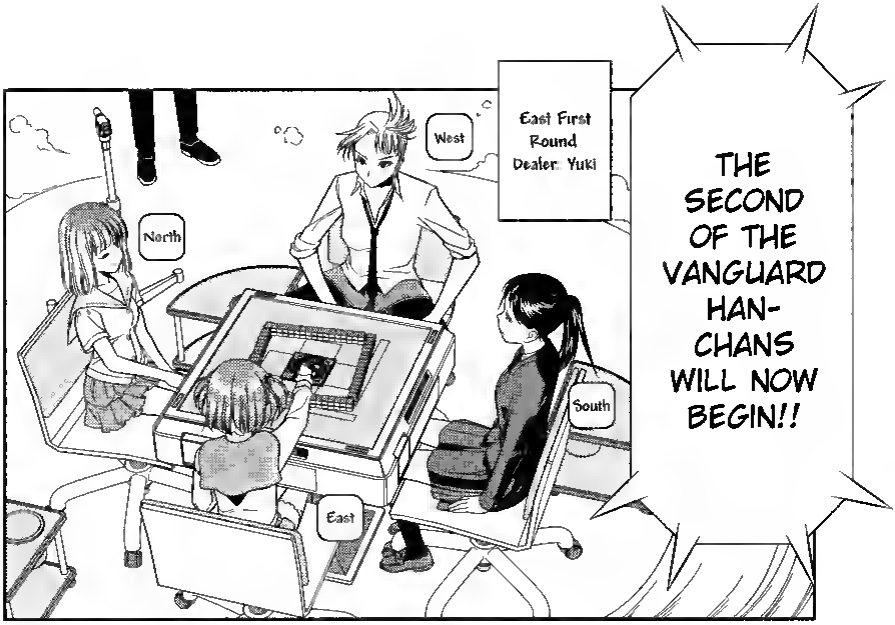
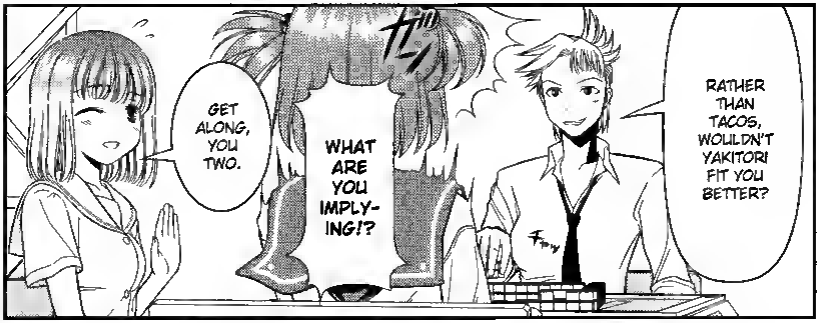
WHUB?
ARE YOU ALSO A LOVER OF TACOS THAT PRAYS FOR THEIR WELL-BEING!?
I'M NOT PRAYING FOR THEIR WELL-BEING MY APOLOGIES TO MEXICO
ALL RIGHT!
TACO POWER FULLY RECHARGED!


East First Round Dealer: Yuki
West
North
South
East
THE SECOND OF THE VANGUARD HAN-CHANS WILL NOW BEGIN!!


GET ALONG, YOU TWO.
WHAT ARE YOU IMPLY-ING!?
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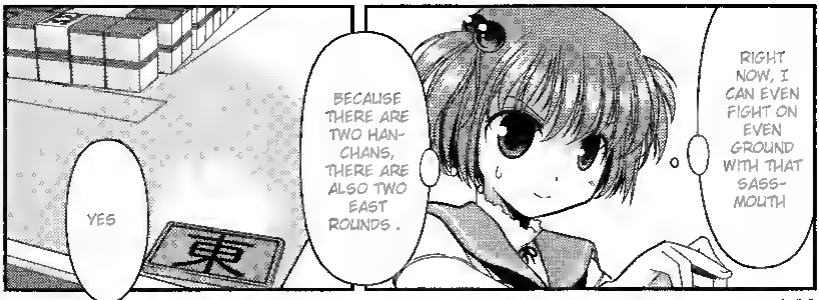
RATHER THAN TACOS, WOULDN'T YAKITORI FIT YOU BETTER?


YES
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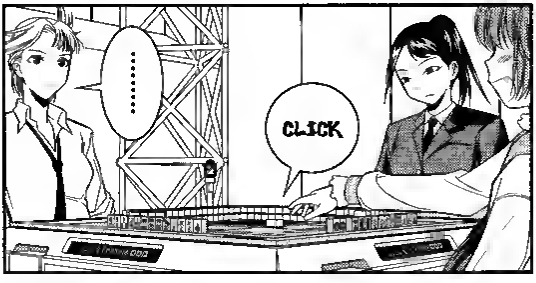
BECAUSE THERE ARE TWO HAN-CHANS, THERE ARE ALSO TWO EAST ROUNDS.
RIGHT NOW, I CAN EVEN FIGHT ON EVEN GROUND WITH THAT SASS-MOUTH

HAS TURNED UP YET AGAIN!!
MY SPECIALTY, THE EAST ROUND...

THAT SHORTY'S SHOWING SIGNS OF A GOOD HAND AGAIN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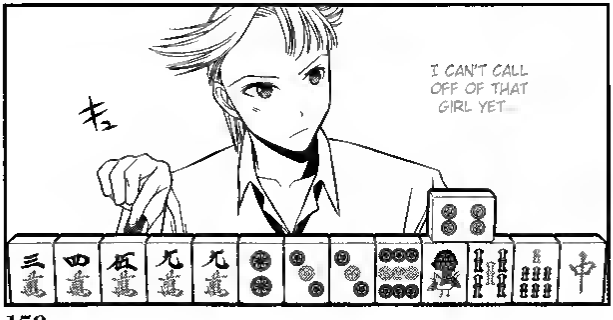
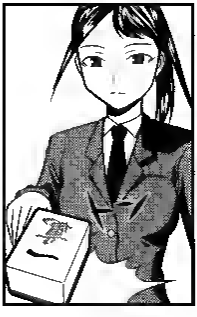

I CAN'T CALL OFF OF THAT GIRL YET...



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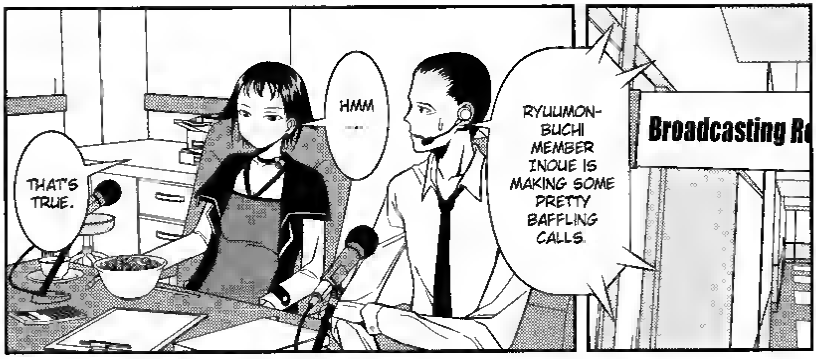
IF IT'S A 30,000 POINT SPREAD, IT'D BE ALL RIGHT TO LEAVE IT BE RIGHT?
IT CAME!
RIICHI!!

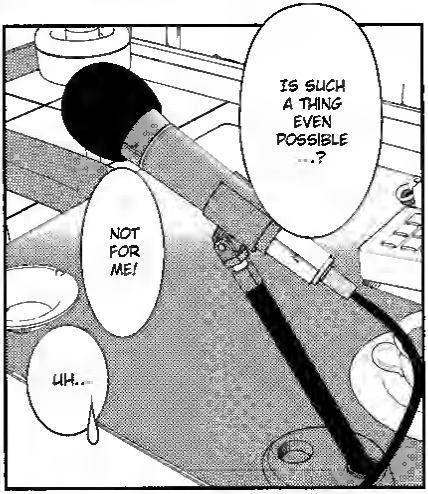
CHI!!
NO
A SAFE TILE
I CAN'T LEAVE IT ALONE ...!!
IN THE PREVIOUS HAN-CHAN TOO, SHE WOULD MAKE WEIRD CALLS TO DEFUSE YUKI'S SANBAIMAN. (24000 POINT HAND)
IT'S JUST CHANCE ...
It's beyond my understanding.
JUST WHAT ON EARTH WAS THAT CALL ...?

WELL, I GUESS NO IPPATSU
HATSU
!!
IF SHE HADN'T CALLED THAT CHI, IT WOULD'VE BEEN AN IPPATSU TSUMO.
WHA.?


HMM...
RYUUMON-BUCHI MEMBER INOUE IS MAKING SOME PRETTY BAFFLING CALLS.
THAT'S TRUE.
Broadcasting Ro

ASSUMING IT'S POSSIBLE, I ALSO CANNOT COMPREHEND THAT CALL.
IT'S AS IF SHE IS ABLE TO SEE THE "FLOW" OF THE GAME AND KNOW EXACTLY HOW TO MANIPULATE IT.

"IS MY OPPONENT'S HAND PROG-RESSING WELL OR NOT ..?" THERE ARE TIMES WHEN ONE READS THESE THINGS FROM THE ATMOSPHERE.


IS SUCH A THING EVEN POSSIBLE ...?
NOT FOR ME!
UH...

R-RON!
Thir-teenth discard
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'KAY
JUST A HATSU, SO 1300 POINTS.
TO THINK THAT EVEN A TACO-POWERED YUKI-CHAN CAN'T WIN IN THE EAST ROUND...
DEFUSED AGAIN..
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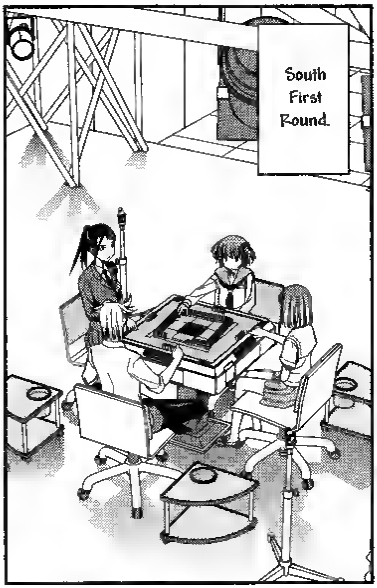
South
First
Round.

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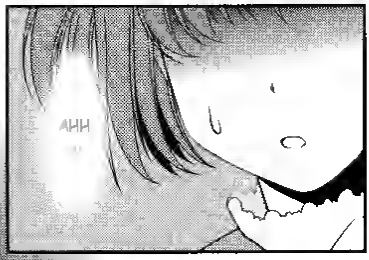

AHH

THE SOUTH ROUND IS WHERE I LOSE ALL MY POWER
WHAT IS THIS FEELING.? IT SEEMS LIKE I'VE FELT IT A LOT LATELY

I
REMEMBER
NOW...

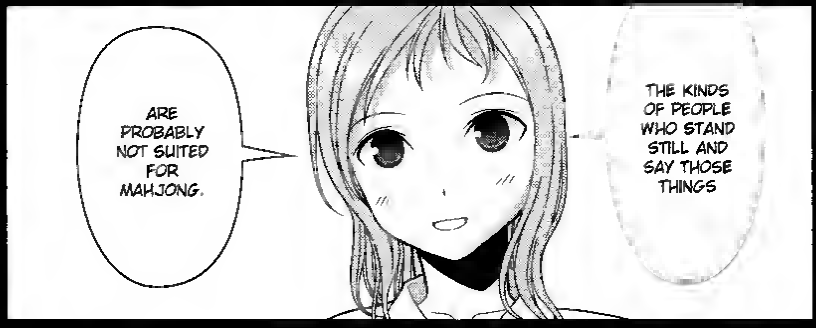
One week prior... On-campus boarding house.
バラーン
IT'S NO GOOD ...!!
SOB
WITH THESE THREE AT THE TABLE...
EVEN IN THE EAST ROUND, I CAN'T WIN AT ALL!!

NODO-CHAN IS TRICKING ME WITH HER HUGE TITS!
I AM NOT.

SAKI-CHAN SOMEHOW ALWAYS HAS A KAN TO WIN A RINSHAN KAIHOU OFF OF!
IT'S IMPOS-SIBLE!

HUUUH!?
PROBABLY NOT.

I... WONDER IF I'M NOT SUITED FOR MAHJONG AFTER ALL...

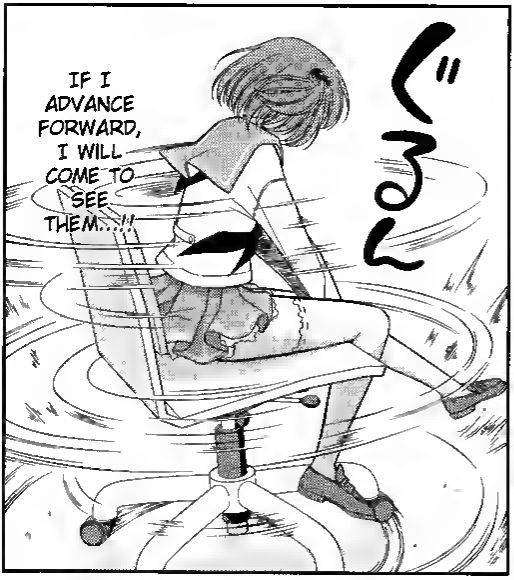

THE KINDS OF PEOPLE WHO STAND STILL AND SAY THOSE THINGS
ARE PROBABLY NOT SUITED FOR MAHJONG.

TWO YEARS AGO...
I GUESS IT WAS AROUND THE TIME I FIRST ENTERED KIYOSUMI.
SHE'S TALKING ABOUT IT.
THE FIRST TIME!
IN THOSE DAYS, THIS SCHOOL'S MAHJONG CLUB WAS NOTHING BUT GHOST MEMBERS, AND WAS ON THE VERGE OF BEING ABOLISHED.
NO MATTER HOW OFTEN I INVITED THEM BACK, IT SEEMED THAT EVERYONE HAD STOPPED COMING FOR GOOD...
MAP
Takei Hisa
Two years ago.
Kiyosumi High School, First Year.
BUT, I STILL WENT OUT TO THE INTER-HIGH SCHOOL TOURNAMENT.
I COULD'VE GONE IF I'D ENTERED SOME SCHOOL LIKE KAZEKOSHI OR RYUUMON-BUCHI.
BUT DURING THAT TIME I DIDN'T HAVE THE MONEY TO ENTER A PRIVATE SCHOOL...

PERHAPS IF I'D MADE DIFFERENT CHOICES, I COULD'VE GONE TO THE NATIONALS.
NOW, ALL OF YOU ARE HERE.
HOW-EVER...
"THE SITUATION IS HOPE-LESS,"
"I HAVE NO TALENT..."
IF YOU THINK THESE THINGS OF YOURSELF ...
PERHAPS IF I'D GOTTEN DISCOUR-AGED BACK THEN, I WOULDN'T BE HERE NOW.
IF YOU BEGIN TO MOVE FORWARD, ONE STEP AT A TIME,
YOU WILL DEFINITELY COME TO SEE THE SCENE AROUND YOU CHANGE!

THAT'S RIGHT...
AN UNRECOVERABLE, OR EVEN AN IMPOSSIBLE SITUATION...
THERE ARE NO SUCH THINGS...
EVEN JUST A FEW POINTS...
RIGHT NOW... I JUST HAVE TO DO WHAT I CAN!!

I HAVE TO END THIS WITH AT LEAST ONE MORE POINT !!!


IF I ADVANCE FORWARD, I WILL COME TO SEE THEM...!!
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'SCUSE ME.
FROM MY HEART THAT HAD GIVEN UP, THE THINGS I COULDN'T SEE BEFORE...

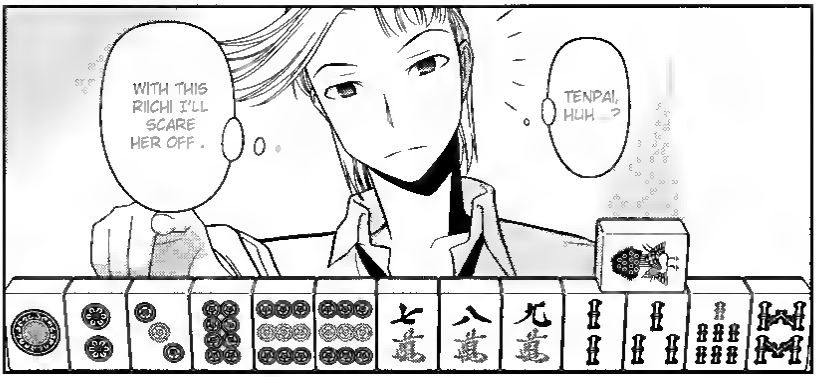
クス
WHAT THE HELL!?
THE REAL BATTLE BEGINS NOW ...!!
MY FIGHTING SPIRIT HAS BEEN RESTORED !!

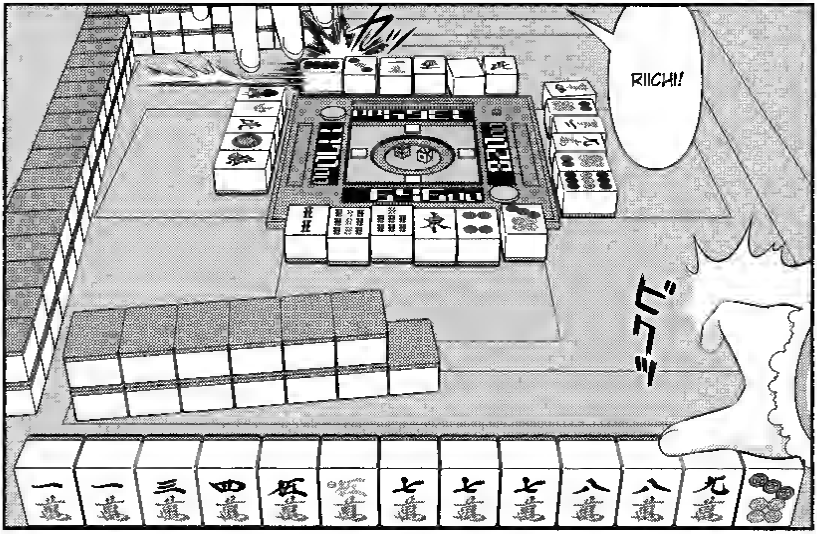
Round 15: Awakening

Preliminary Finals Vanguard Second Han-chan
Kazekoshi Girls' High School, Third Year
Fukuji Miboko
117000 points
Ryuumonbuchi High School, Second Year
Inoue Jun
136400 points
South First Round Dealer: Yuki
I'M NOT GIVING UP
Tsuruga Academy, Second Year
Tsuyama Mutsuki
82000 points
Kiyosumi High School, First Year
Kataoka Yuki
64600 points

I HAVE TO END THIS WITH AT LEAST ONE MORE POINT
TO ADVANCE FORWARD IS TO NEVER GIVE UP...!!

BUT IF I STIR UP SOME CONFUSION WITH A CALL, SHE'LL MISS HER CHANCE
I CAN SENSE THAT THE SHORTY'S HAND IS STEADILY GETTING STRONGER
Sixth Discard
A CHITOITSU WITH THREE DORAS IS PRETTY GOOD, BUT.
SHE CUT THE DORA...
I'M GOING FOR A BIGGER HAND!!
CLICK


WITH THIS RIICHI I'LL SCARE HER OFF.
TENPAI, HUH...?


RIICHI!
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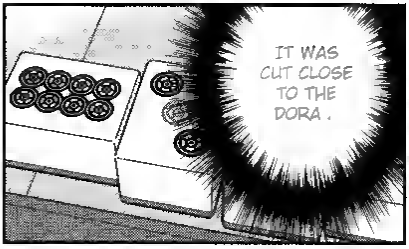
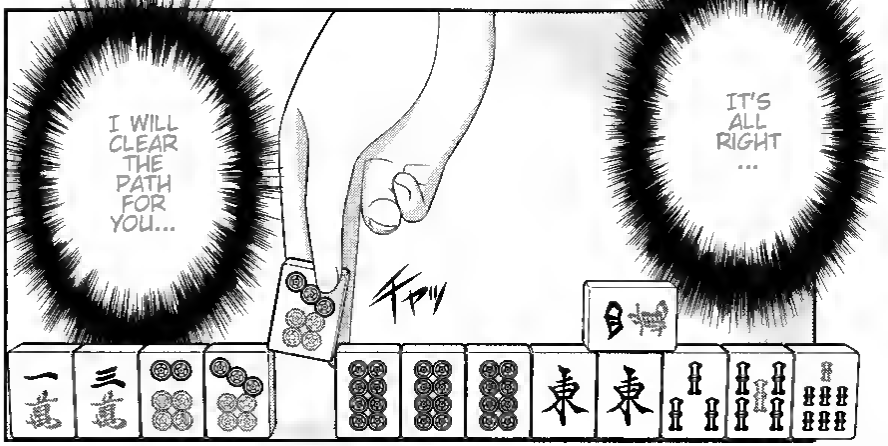
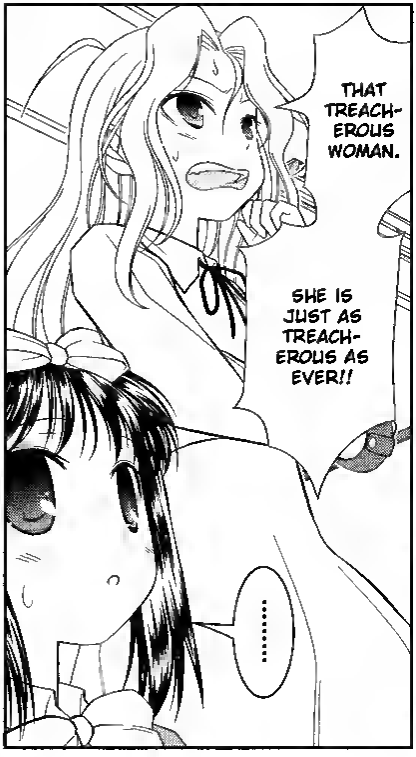

IT WAS CUT CLOSE TO THE DORA.

THAT TILE SHE TOSSED

NORMALLY, YOU WOULD BE JUST COLLECTING MANZU TILES, BUT
THE WAY THAT OTHER GIRL WORKS, THERE WAS NO CHOICE, REALLY
WOULDN'T IT HAVE BEEN BETTER IF SHE'D KEPT THE DORA AND HER CHITOITSU?
THIS IS WORRYING
AS IT STANDS, YOUR HAND WILL APART FROM YOUR FEAR...!!

ゴゴゴ
JUDGING FROM THIS GIRL'S RIIPAI* HABITS, AND WHAT TILES SHE HAS FOCUSED ON
EXCEPT FOR ONE TILE, HER HAND IS ENTIRELY MADE OF MANZU TILES
*THE TILE YOU TOSS OUT SIDEWAYS WHEN YOU READY A RIICHI HAND
HER
SHE MUST BE AGONIZING OVER WHETHER OR NOT SHE SHOULD CUT HER


I WILL CLEAR THE PATH FOR YOU...
IT'S ALL RIGHT ...


THAT TREACH-EROUS WOMAN.
SHE IS JUST AS TREACH-EROUS AS EVER!!
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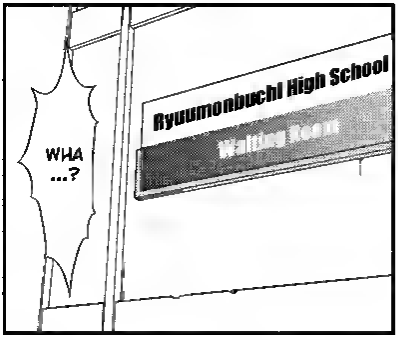
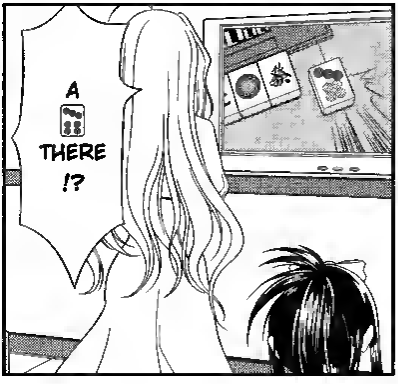

Ryuumonbuchi High School
Waiting Room
WHA ...?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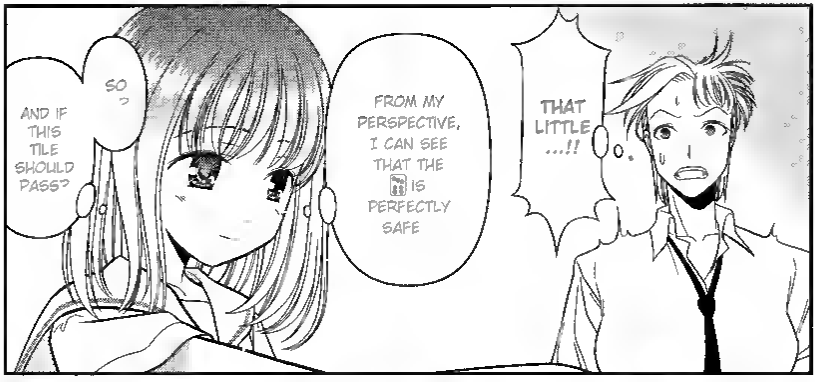
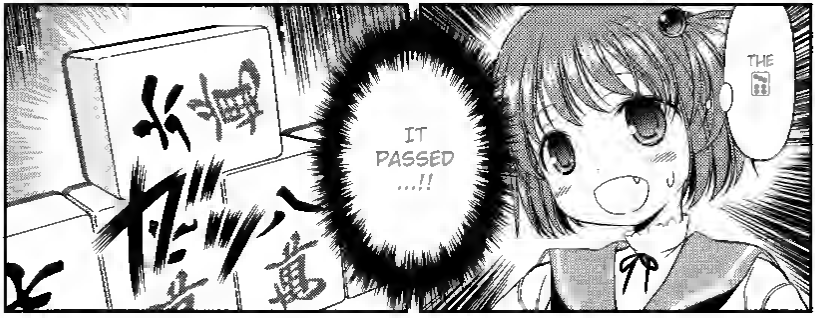
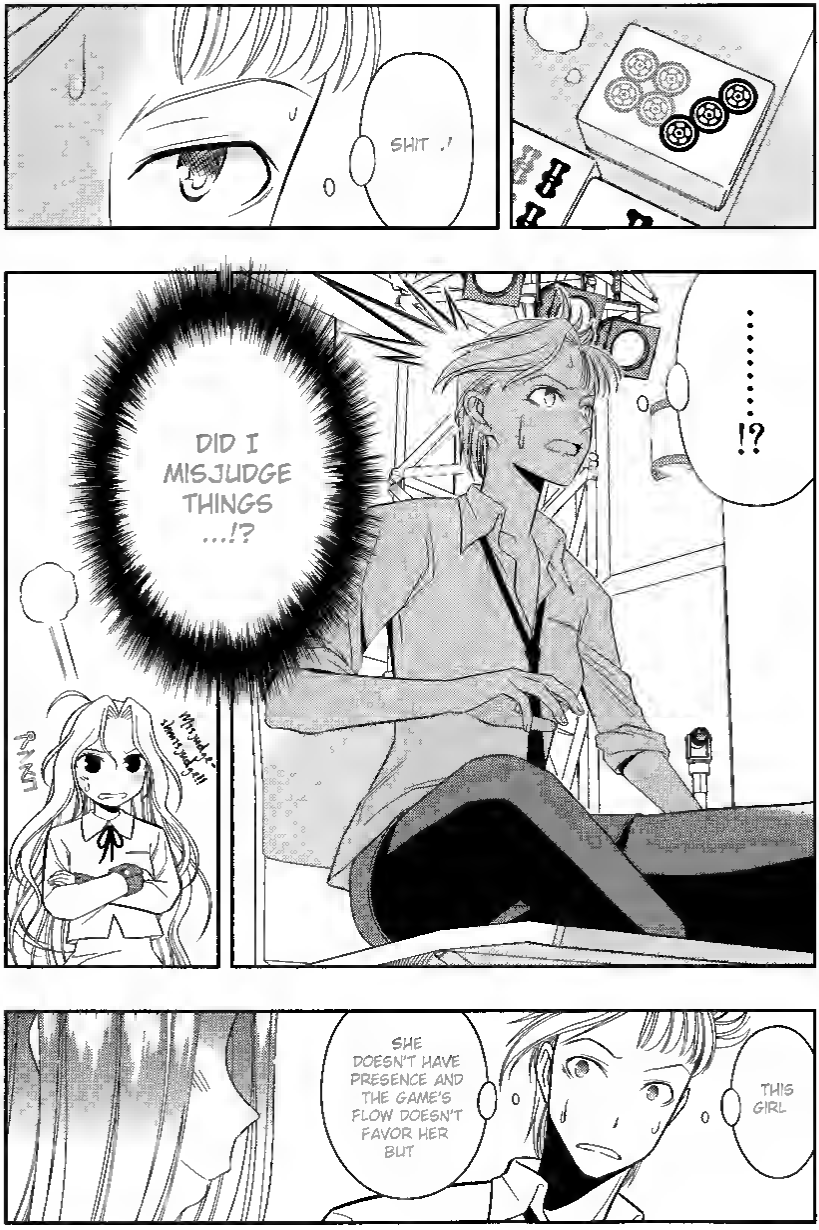
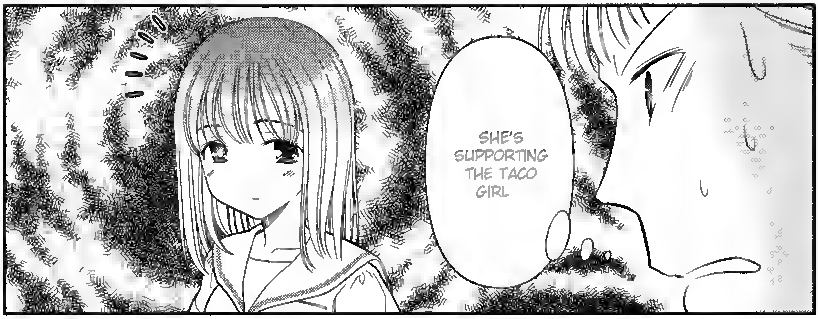

THAT LITTLE ...!!
FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, I CAN SEE THAT THE 白 IS PERFECTLY SAFE
SO ♪
AND IF THIS TILE SHOULD PASS?

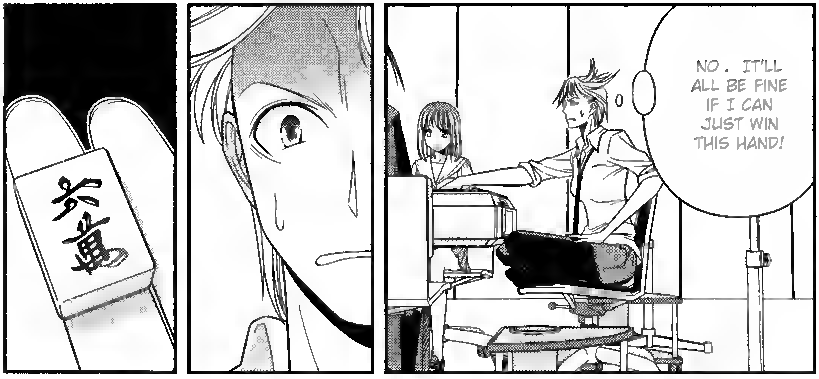

THE 白
IT PASSED ...!!

RIICHI!!
一萬 一萬 三萬 四萬 五萬 五萬 六萬 七萬 七萬 七萬 八萬 八萬 九萬

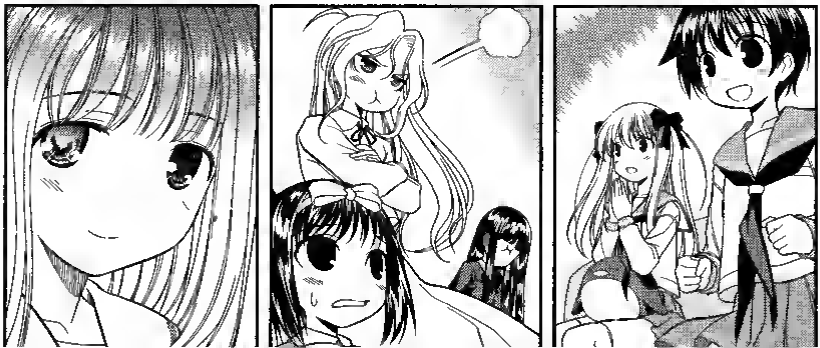

SHIT .!
.....!?
DID I MISJUDGE THINGS ...!?
THIS GIRL
SHE DOESN'T HAVE PRESENCE AND THE GAME'S FLOW DOESN'T FAVOR HER BUT


SHE'S SUPPORTING THE TACO GIRL

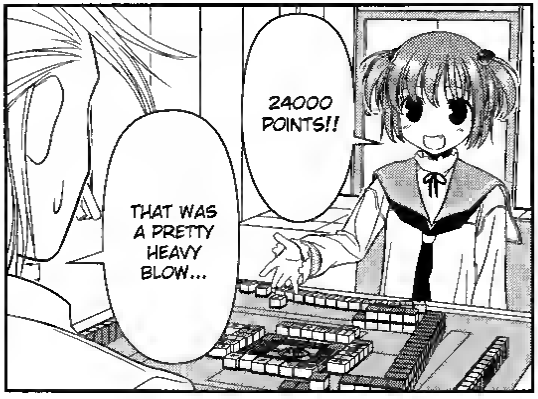
AM I BEING MARKED ...!?


NO. IT'LL ALL BE FINE IF I CAN JUST WIN THIS HAND!

ROOON!!

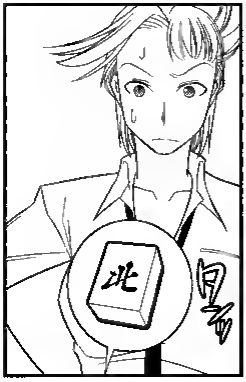


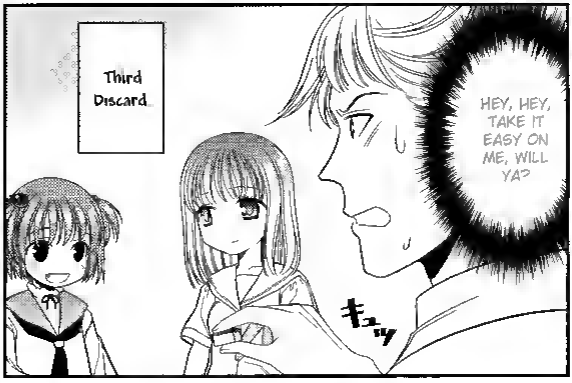
*A COMBINATION OF MENZEN WORTH 1 YAKU AND CHIN ITSU, WORTH 6 YAKU

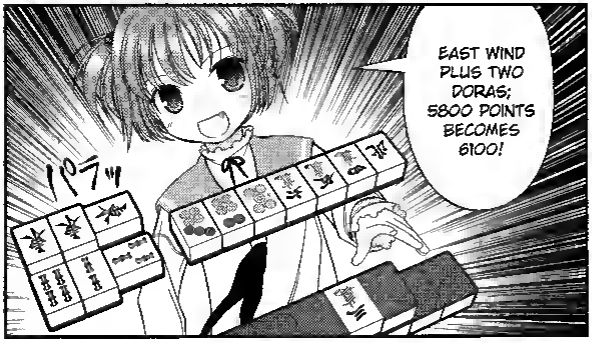


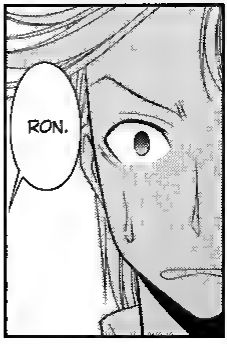
Second Discard
CHI!

South First Round, One consecutive win First Discard
PON.



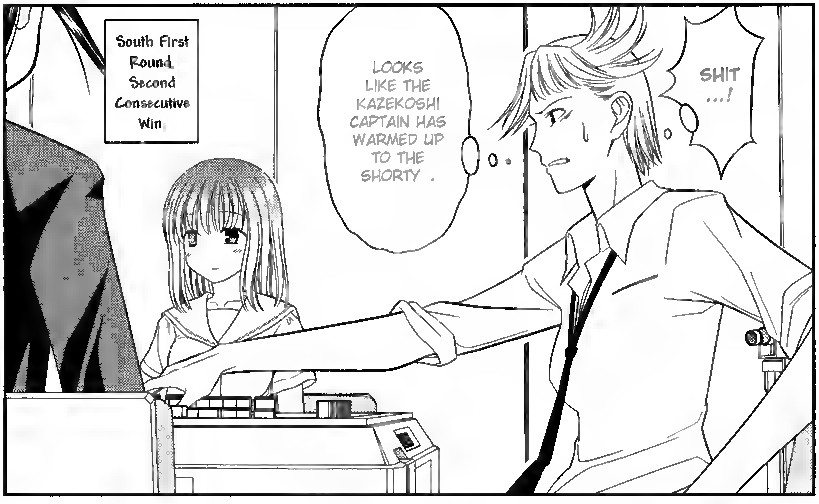

Third Discard
HEY, HEY, TAKE IT EASY ON ME, WILL YA?

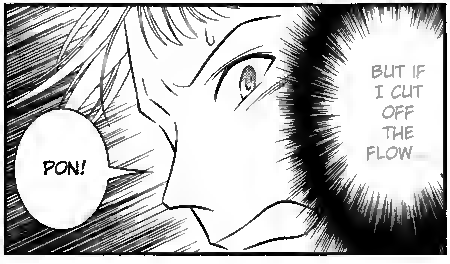

EAST WIND PLUS TWO DORAS; 5800 POINTS BECOMES 6100!

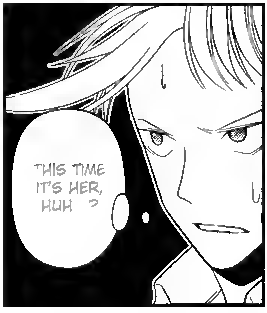

RON.

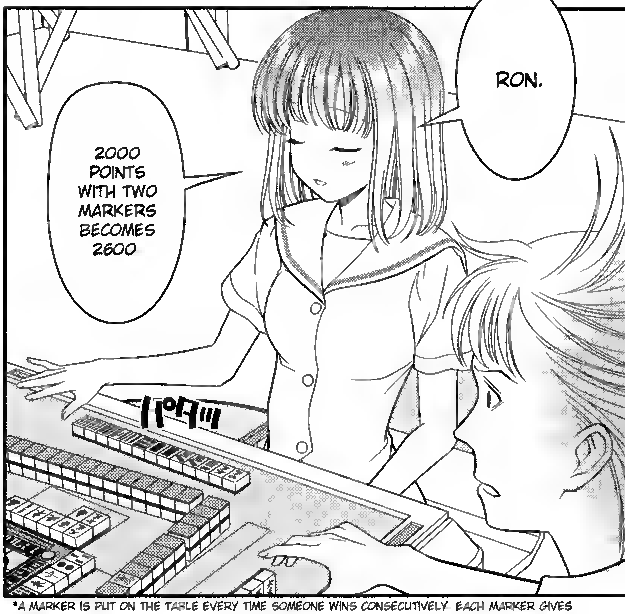
IS SHE AN ALLY...!?

THIS NICE GIRL...


South First Round Second Consecutive Win
LOOKS LIKE THE KAZEKOSHI CAPTAIN HAS WARMED UP TO THE SHORTY.
SHIT...!


PON!
BUT IF I CUT OFF THE FLOW...





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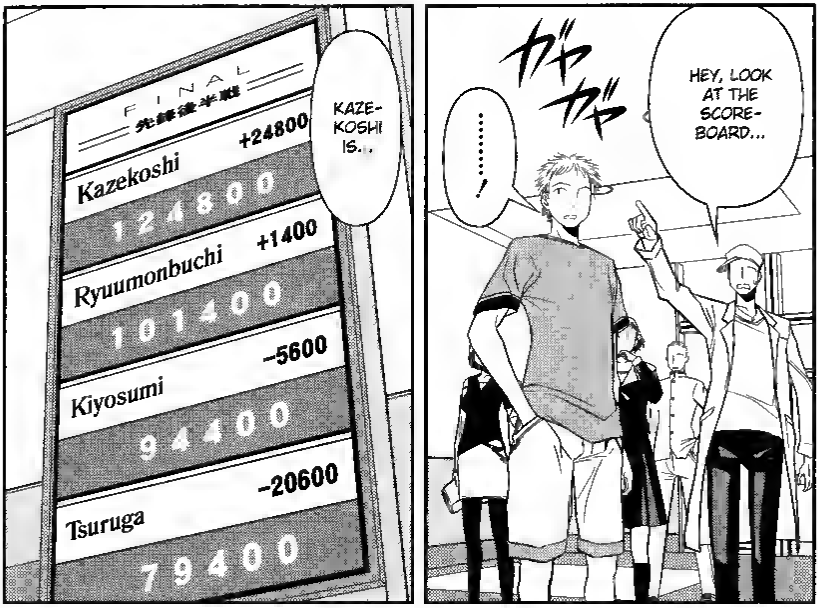
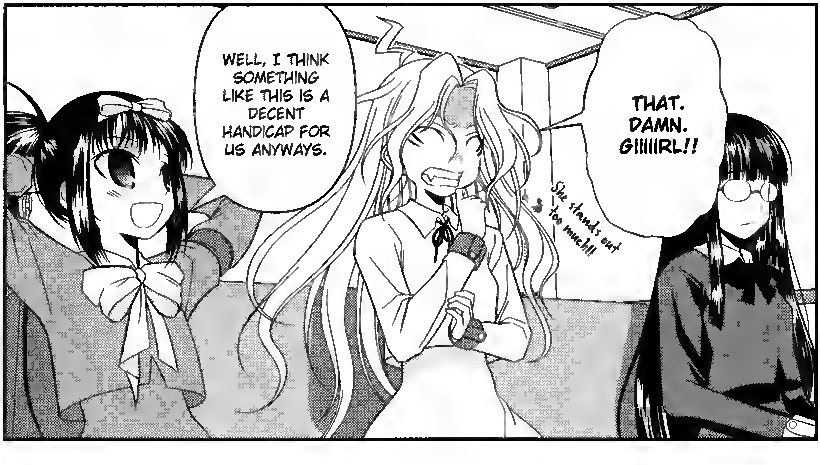

FINAL
先鋒後半戦
Kazekoshi
+24800
124800
Ryuumonbuchi
+1400
101400
Kiyosumi
-5600
94400
Tsuruga
-20600
79400
KAZE-KOSHI IS..
HEY, LOOK AT THE SCORE-BOARD...
ガヤガヤ
.....!

RON.
1300 POINTS, PLEASE.
South Third Round

South Fourth Round, Third Consecutive Win.
8600 POINTS!
RON.
THIS GIRL...!!
SHE ISN'T ANYONE'S ALLY AT ALL...!!

CAPTAIN!
SHE'S THE BEST!!

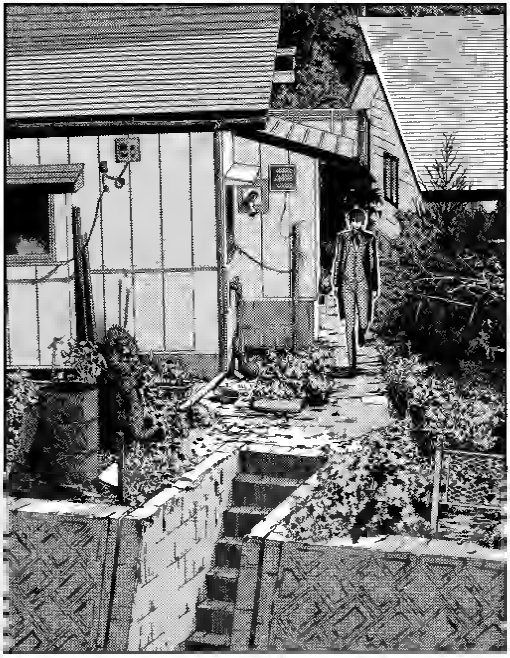

THAT. DAMN. GIIIIIRL!!
She stands out too much!!!
WELL, I THINK SOMETHING LIKE THIS IS A DECENT HANDICAP FOR US ANYWAYS.

Game End..

Kazekoshi Girls' High School, Third Year
Fukuji Mihoko
142000 points
(+42000)
Kiyosumi High School First Year
Kataoka Yuki
88900 points
(-11100)
Tsuruga Academy, Second Year
Tsuyama Mutsuki
81400 points
(-18600)
Ryuumonbuchi High School, Second Year
Inoue Jun
87100 points
(-12300)
THE VANGUARD BATTLE HAS FINISHED ...!!!

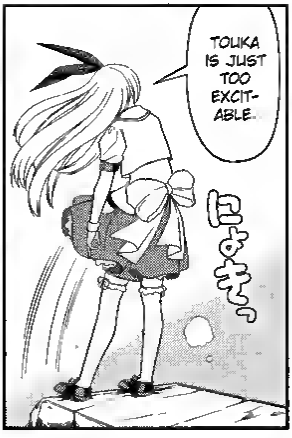
KAZE-KOSHI TAKES AN OVER-WHELMING LEAD...!!

LADY KOROMO!



LADY TOUKA IS CALLING FOR YOU.
OKAY.

IT'S BECAUSE EVERYONE PLACES THEIR HOPES ON LADY KOROMO.


TOUKA IS JUST TOO EXCIT-ABLE.
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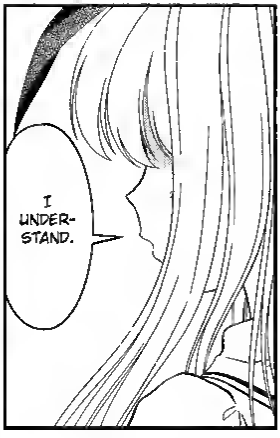
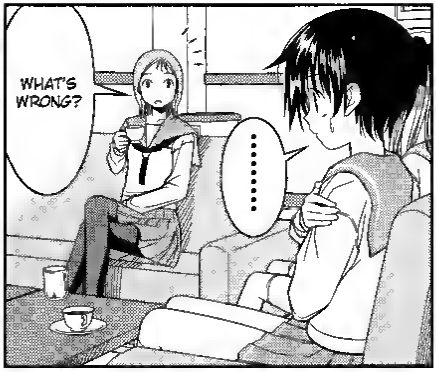

I UNDER-STAND.

OF COURSE ...!

IT IS INEVI-TABLE THAT KOROMO WILL WIN...
AGAINST SUCH A MOB OF INFERIOR CREA-TURES!!

ビクッ
!

AH... IT'S NOTHING ...
YAWN


WHAT'S WRONG?
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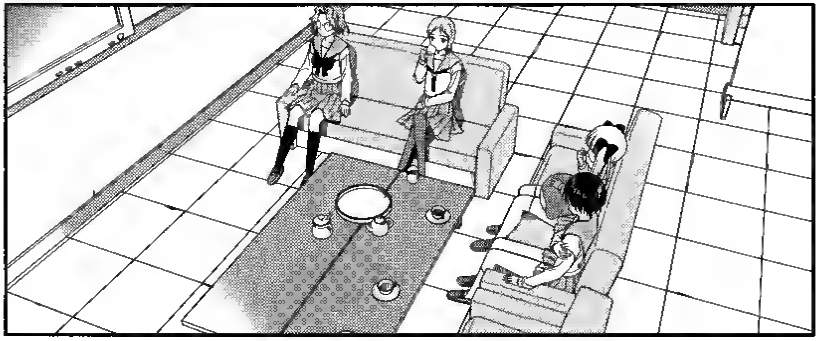

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